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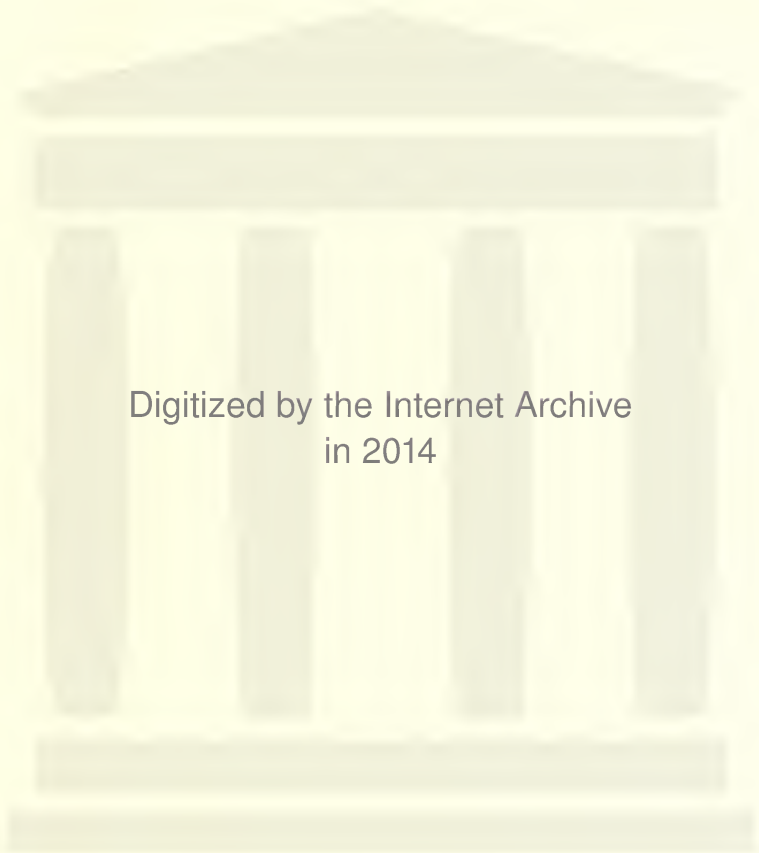

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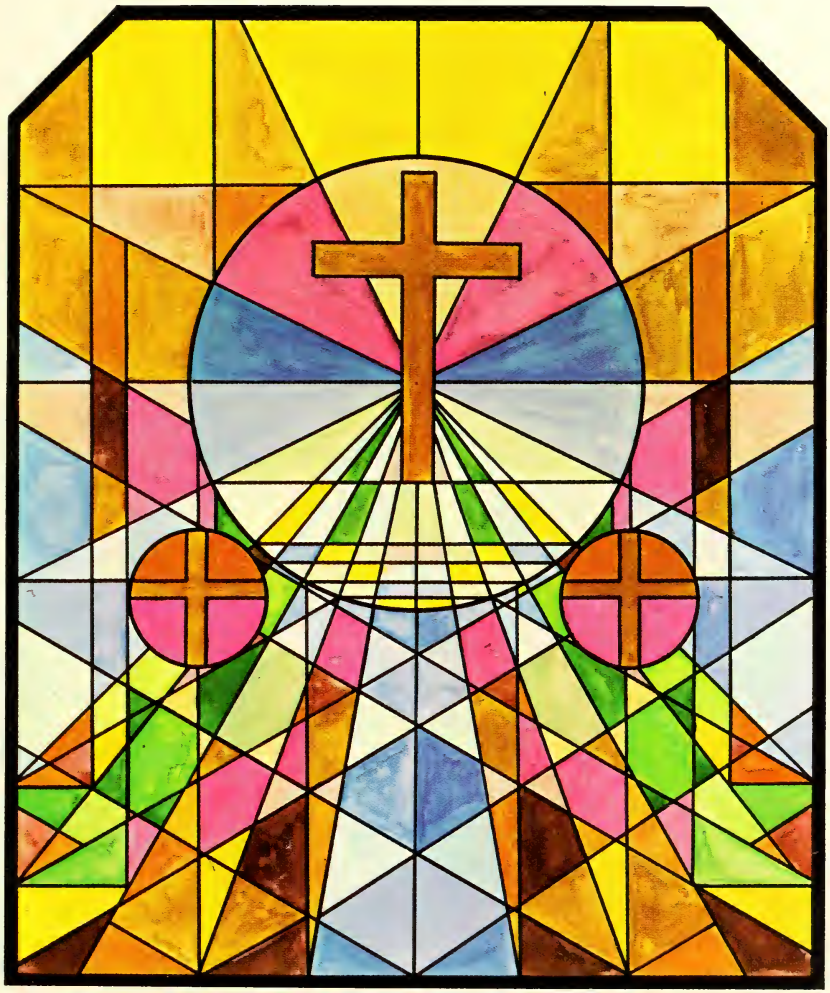

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North Carolina

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October 14-15, 1976

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and Friday after the Second Sunday in October

October 13-14

FIRST DAY..... Pisgah
SECOND DAY..... Walker's Chapel

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Zion Hill. . . . . Kenneth Sain
Olive Grove. . . . . Mrs. Fred Spurling
Oak Ridge. . . . . Mrs. Edna Mull
Oak Ridge. . . . . Rev. Edsel Mull
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Berea—Charlie Townsend, Brady Burns, Ed Berry, Bessie Fredell, Doris Townsend, Rev. Gwyn Sullivan.
Beulah—Lecie Benfield, Alene Huffman, Amanda Lindsey, Ronell Lindsey, Virginia Rhoney, Minnie Mull, Nellie Rudisill, E. A. Rudisill.
Carswell Memorial—Wesby Carswell, Versie Carswell, Becky Smith, Henry Carswell, Ted Butler.
Corinth—Mr. and Mrs. Earlie Lail, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Newton, Rev. Cecil Buff.
Drowning Crek—Rev. and Mrs. Norris Brittain, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Bryant, Mrs. Katherine Patton.
Faith Olive—
Grace and Truth—Mrs. Rachel Willis, Mrs. Brenda Willis, Rev. Lewis Travis.
Hildebran View—
Hoyle Memorial—Sanford Burns, Rev. R. A. Brackett.
Laurel Haven—Jerry Bradshaw, Mrs. Myra Bradshaw.
Midway—Mrs. Lex Wright, Mrs. Lola Bruner, Mrs. Connie Wright.
Mt. Calvary—
Mt. Gilead—Carrie Buff, Roney Lail, Bessie Chapman, Shelvia Lail, Barbara Smith.
Mt. Hebron—Auby Burns, Denny Harbinson, Jimmy Cox, Susan Cox, Ruth Hoyle, Esther Lagle, Clara Bradshaw.

Mt. Vernon—Mrs. Eula Pendleton, Mrs. Junie Gantt, Mrs. Ruby Sain, Mrs. Ola Mae Gantt, Mrs. Edith Wise, Mrs. Mae Hallman, Mrs. Kathleen Gantt, Mrs. Judy Bryant, Mrs. Reba Detter, Mrs. Joyce Goodman.
Mt. Zion—Sam Proctor, Buland Short, Richard Anderson.
Mull's Chapel—Rev. Steve Hardin, Edd Keller, Earnest Rhoney, Loyd Workman, Della Rhoney.
Oak Ridge—Rev. Edsel Mull, Mrs. Edna Mull, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy Childers, Sr.
Olive Grove—Rev. Robert Beck, Mrs. Myrtle Walker, Mrs. Leonia Hull, Mrs. Flavie Cook, Cleveland Crotts.
Philadelphia—Alvin Brittain, Rev. W. E. Keller, Edsel Shuford.
Pisgah—Clamon Parker, Mrs. Troy Warlick, Otto Devenney, Mrs. Otto Devenney, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Buff, Rev. and Mrs. Joe Edwards.
Pleasant Grove—Rev. John H. Smart, Carl W. Powell.
St. John's—Sam Huffman, Mrs. Ruby Huffman, Mrs. Betty Huffman, Mrs. Susie Robinson, Lillie Huffman.
St. Paul—Mr. and Mrs. Gleen Mead, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Benfield, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Cook.
Shoup's Grove—Billy Gregg, Eddie and Virginia Chilcott, Rev. Robert H. Ashe, Wayne Collins.
Smart's Grove—
South Fork—Neil Abernethy, Faye Shook, Lina Woody, John Munday.
Tabernacle—
Walker's Chapel—
Wilkie's Grove—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sain, Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry, Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Staton.
Zion Hill—Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Marshell Buff, Mrs. Mary Lail, Mrs. Alvin Cook, Warren Yancey.
Zoar—Lester Lail, Delia Fay Chapman, Sherrill Chapman, Rev. A. R. Bumgarner.

VISITORS TO THE ASSOCIATION

Phillip R. Morrow, Representing the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina
James Lambert Boone, Three Forks Association Missionary in Western North Carolina
R. Tom Greene, Hayes Barton Church, Raleigh Association, Representing the Cooperative Program
Ralph Cannon, Winston-Salem, Representing the Home for the Aging in North Carolina
Calvin Knight, Pilot Mountain Association, Representing the Baptist Hospital
Woodrow W. Hill, Raleigh, Representing the Biblical Recorder

Constitution

1. This body shall be known as "The South Mountain Baptist Association."
2. It shall be composed of messengers from Missionary Baptist Churches.
3. The messengers from any Missionary Baptist Church may be admitted into this Association upon recommendation of the Committee on Petitionary Letters and the majority vote of members present at any regular meeting.
4. Any church in good fellowship may, at her discretion, withdraw from this body.
5. This Association may at any meeting, after investigation and report of a duly authorized committee of the Association, by a majority vote declare a dissolution of union with any church deemed corrupt, either in doctrine or practice.
6. Any church in this Association, with fifty members or under, may send three messengers, with one additional for each succeeding fifty members or major fraction thereof.
7. At each session of this Association a Moderator, a Vice-Moderator, a Clerk, and Treasurer shall be chosen by vote and hold office until their successors are elected. A Moderator shall not be eligible to succeed himself after having served in office for two years.

8. The meetings of the Association shall be held annually beginning on Thursday after the second Sunday of October unless otherwise ordered by the Association or the Executive Board.

9. The design of this Association is to promote the cause of true religion with the several churches of which it is or may be composed and to sustain the various objects fostered by the North Carolina State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

10. This Association has no authority over any church nor any right to interfere with its internal concerns.

11. For the mutual benefit of the churches composing this Association, it shall be the duty of each church to forward with messengers a written communication to each annual meeting, specifying the names of messengers, statistics of the church for the foregoing year, giving account of its spiritual conditions and stating the names of the pastor and other licentiates or ordained ministers connected with the church.

12. (a) The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Associational officers and the pastors of each church, along with the Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Brotherhood Director, Clerk, Treasurer, W.M.U. Director and Music Director. Ten members shall constitute a quorum.

(b) The Executive Committee meetings shall be on Tuesday after the second Sunday in Janaury, April, July and Tuesday after the first Sunday in October.

(c) The Moderator shall appoint the Committee on Committees to serve from one Annual Meeting to the next (starting with 1966).

(d) The Committee on Committees shall fill vacancies that may occur between annual meetings of the Association by bringing names to the Executive Committee for their approval.

13. The Constitution may be altered or amended by two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting provided such alterations or amendment shall be submitted in writing at one session and acted upon at the next.

14. Kerfoot's Parliamentary Laws, as far as applicable, shall be followed in the government of the Assocation.

15. No one person shall be allowed to petition the body in session for more than one thing in the same session, unless given permission by the Moderator or two-thirds of the messengers present.

16. No department officer shall exercise authority over his department, except it be in accord with the ruling of the Executive Committee or the Association in regular session.

RULES OF ORDER OF THE CONSTITUTION

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. All questions of procedure shall be decided by Kerfoot's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

3. In view of the fact that the officers of our Association come to the annual meeting with plans made for the session, be it resolved that we elect our officers at the close of the meeting to act till the close of the next annual meeting.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY MODERATOR

Section 1. The Moderator shall appoint in advance of the annual meeting a Committee on Enrollment, Place, Time and Preacher, and Resolutions Committees and any other committees he may deem advisable or necessary. Each of these committees shall report at the annual meeting for which they are appointed.

Section 2. The Committee on enrollment shall be composed of members of the host church appointed by the chairman. It shall be the duties of this committee to arrange for the registration of all the messengers and visitors and to make a report to the association.

Section 3. The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to recommend to the Association the churches at

which the next session shall meet and the preachers for the annual sermons at the next session.

Section 4. The Committee on Resolutions shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiments on any matter chosen by the committee or directed by the messengers of the session.

COMMITTEES SELECTED BY COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Section 5. The Committee on Committees shall be composed of five appointed members, the Moderator and Associational Missionary. Other officers of the Association may act as Ex Officio members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to prepare for approval of the Association the names of persons to serve on the following committees: Nomination, Finance, Petitionary Letters, Ordination of Ministers, Constitution of Churches, Trustees, Evangelism, Missions and South Mountain Camp.

Section 6. The Program Committee shall be composed of the general officers of the Association. It shall be the duty of this Committee to prepare and present a suggested order of business to be adopted by the Association. When adopted, this program becomes the order of business unless changed by common consent or by vote of the body.

Section 7. The Committee on Nominations shall be composed of five members. It shall be the duty of this Committee to prepare for the Association the names of individuals as nominees for the following offices: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Treasurer, Clerk, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, Vacation Bible School Director, R.A. Director, Brotherhood Director, Pianist and Historian. It shall be the duty of this Committee to name for the approval of the Association individuals who shall bring to the next annual meeting brief written reports on Public Morals and Temperance, Christian Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Hospitals, Homes for the Aging, Children's Homes, Cooperative Program, Religious Literature, Christian Stewardship, Relief and Annuity, Obituaries, Southern Baptist Protective Program, and the American Bible Society. Nominations by this Committee shall not preclude nominations from the floor. This Committee shall make nominations for vacancies that may occur during the year.

(a) Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Brotherhood Director, Vacation Bible School Director and Music Director shall work with the Nominating Committee in selecting officers for their departments.

(b) The Committee on Ordination of Ministers shall act only upon the request of the churches.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE ASSOCIATION

1950—S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Clerk; A. V. Ledford, N. S. Hardin, Preachers; Oak Ridge, Corinth, Places.

1951—S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice Moderator; Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Clerk; Grady Welch, L. A. Miller, Preachers; Icard, Zion Hill, Places.

1952—S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Claude Icard, Clerk; Lamont Mayes, W. H. Flowers, Preachers; Henry River, St. Paul, Places.

1953—S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; B. R. Holbrook, Vice Moderator; Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk; R. W. Hord, Fred Hicks, Preachers; Bethany, Mt. Vernon, Places.

1954—J. E. Hoffman, Moderator; A. V. Ledford, Vice Moderator; Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk, Forrest Davis, B. R. Holbrook, Preachers; Shoup's Grove, Walker's Chapel, Places.

1955—J. E. Hoffman, Moderator; Ralph Berry, Vice Moderator; Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk; Buren Hastings, J. E. Hoffman, Preachers; Connelly Springs, Pisgah, Places.

1956—Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Julius Hildebran, Ralph Berry, Preachers; St. Paul, Mull's Chapel, Places.

1957—Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Joe Richards, B. H. Cline, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Carswell Memorial, Places.

1958—Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; J. E. Hoffman, Paul Crotts, Preachers; St. John's, Oak Ridge, Places.

1959—Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Grady McCurry, Preachers; Berea, Beulah, Places.

1960—Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Harold Whitener, Earsel Robinson, Preachers; Midway, Zion Hill, Places.

1961—Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; P. G. Sullivan, Harold Whitener, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Shoup's Grove, Places.

1962—Paul Crotts, Moderator; Harold Whitener, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; S. M. Stroupe, J. I. Willis, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, Corinth, Places.

1963—Harold Whitener, Moderator; Paul Crotts, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Garland Early, Harvey Harris, Preachers; St. Paul, Pleasant Grove, Places.

1964—Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; B. R. Whisnant, Thomas Taylor, Preachers; Mt. Gilead, Olive Grove, Places.

1965—Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Floyd Benfield, Jack Johnson, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Pisgah, Places.

1966—Thomas D. Taylor, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J. M. Powell, Jack E. Guffey, Preachers; Drowning Creek, Mull's Chapel, Mt. Calvary, Places.

1967—Paul Crotts, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J. T. Cline, William Shytle, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Wilkie's Grove, Smart's Grove, Places.

1968—William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Andy Mead, G. C. Wray, Preachers; Berea, Beulah, St. Paul, Places.

1969—William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; R. L. Ball, Harold Ashe, Preachers; Oak Ridge, Carswell Memorial, Faith Olive, Places.

1970—J. T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Richard Adams, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Mull's Chapel, Places.

1971—J. T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Ronald Martin, Cecil Buff, Preachers; Zion Hill, Corinth, Places.

1972—Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Dennis Whitley, Carrell Pruette, Preachers; Zoar, Abee's Chapel, Places.

1973—Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Raymond Crook, Paul Crotts, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, St. John's Places.

1974—Raymond Crook, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Kenneth Simpson, Preachers; St. Paul, Shoup's Grove, Places.

1975—Harold Dellinger, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Buren Hastings, Gwyn Sullivan, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Olive Grove, Places.

1976—Harold Ashe, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Cecil Buff, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Berea, Places.

Proceedings

Sixty-sixth Session of South Mountain Baptist Association

THEME: LET THE CHURCH STAND UP

1. At the sound of the gavel the 66th session of the South Mountain Baptist Association was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Harold Ashe. Some 115 delegates, five state representatives, and 95 visitors assembled in the sanctuary of Mt. Vernon Baptist Church for the opening session at 4:00 o'clock on October 14.

2. In keeping with the theme chosen by the program committee and displayed on a double sided board set outside the church, the congregation joined in singing the hymn "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" directed by Kenneth Sain, Associational Music Director, and accompanied by Reba Houser as pianist.

3. The devotional thoughts based upon scripture found in Ephesians 4:1-6 were given by Vester Shull who concluded the period of meditation with prayer.

4. Rev. Ashe extended a warm and cordial welcome to all delegates and visitors in attendance, giving special recognition to representatives of various state agencies who were later to appear on the program.

5. For the two day session the enrollment committee is provided by the pastors of the host churches. Registration cards were completed, programs, books of reports, and publications were distributed in the church vestibule under the direction of Mrs. Judy Bryant and Mrs. Joyce Goodman.

6. After a brief overview of the proposed program, the group voted to accept it, granting the moderator the privilege of making minor changes to adapt the schedule as need arises.

7. The moderator then named two committees to function during the current session as follows: Time, Place, Preacher Committee composed of Mrs. Harold Dellinger, Mrs. Thomas Berry, and Mrs. Clyde Houston. Resolutions Committee composed of Rev. Edsel Mull, Rev. Cecil Buff, and Warren Yancey.

8. Following the move for adoption and acceptance of the report on Homes for the Aging, an informative and inspiring message was brought by Rev. Ralph Cannon who urged continued support for this worthwhile program of our denomination. He reported on the ground breaking ceremony on October 10 for the sixth home to be built near Asheville.

9. Phillip Morrow representing the Children's Homes of North Carolina brought greetings from the various institutions and from Dr. W. R. Wagoner. His report was most interesting and noted the expanded provision of Family Services now being included in the child care program. The submitted report was accepted by the delegate assembly.

10. The report on Christian Education was accepted following a move for adoption.

11. Upon the recommendation of the moderator the report on the North Carolina Baptist Hospital was accepted.

12. Rev. Calvin Knight of Winston-Salem presented a report and a challenge in behalf of the State Missions Program of our Baptist State Convention. His comments were based on scripture recorded in Matthew 13:3-9.

13. The Executive Committee report including the proceedings and actions taken by the members in regularly scheduled meetings held throughout the year and concerning the business of the Association was accepted as presented by the clerk.

14. Miss Doris Upton, associational treasurer, called attention to the financial statement for the year including receipts and disbursements. After noting several minor alterations which became necessary and were authorized by the Executive Committee she moved adoption and the report received a vote of acceptance.

15. As chairman of the Finance Committee, Delbert Walker presented the Proposed Budget 1976-1977, calling special attention to projected increases in certain items. Action on the budget will come on the second day, thereby granting time for consideration prior to acceptance.

16. Under the direction of Kenneth Sain and accompanied by Reba Houser, the entire delegation joined in singing the hymn "We've a Story to Tell." This stirring hymn set the stage for the forthcoming message.

17. Rev. Cecil Buff brought an inspiring missionary message basing his remarks on the story recorded in John 6 concerning the feeding of the multitude. His emphasis was on the importance of meeting the needs of the spiritually and physically hungry peoples of the world. Free brochures and copies of THE COMMISSION were distributed to further emphasize the great problem of world hunger. His points of challenge to all were four action words showing Jesus' concern for the hungry: "Took-Blessed-Broke and Gave."

18. Rev. Jerry Bryant, pastor of the host church, extended a personal welcome to all those present in behalf of his congregation. Following his directions for the comfort and convenience of the visitors and plans for serving the evening meal to which all were cordially invited, he pronounced the combination blessing/benediction which concluded the afternoon session.

19. The group then proceeded to the church basement where a bountiful meal was served and the group enjoyed an hour of feasting and Christian fellowship.

Thursday Night

20. The evening session under the direction of Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, Vice Moderator, was called to order again by the sound of the gavel.

21. The group standing united their voices in the singing of the hymn "Trust and Obey."

22. Dale Wise presented the devotional thoughts from Acts 16:9-10 and closed with prayer.

23. Rev. Sullivan welcomed everyone to the evening's program and urged registration of any new-comers.

24. In recognizing and presenting the new pastors the following ministers introduced themselves and mentioned the churches they serve:

Rev. A. R. Bumgarner of Zoar
Rev. Jimmy Cox of Mt. Hebron
Rev. Jerry Bryant of Mt. Vernon
Rev. W. E. Keller of Philadelphia

They then received a cordial welcome into the association from Rev. Sullivan.

25. Rev. Harold Dellinger having just completed his first year as Associational Superintendent of Missions gave a report of his activities which was accepted favorably by the assembly.

26. The R. A. report was given by Rev. Jimmy Cox, newly elected director, who informed us of planned activities for the boys of the association and urged full participation by all churches in the proposed events. The group voted to accept his report.

27. One of the highlights of the day's program was the message on the Cooperative Program given by Rev. Tom Greene of Raleigh. His comments centered around the theme "Let the Church Stand Up Through the Cooperative Program. His remarks stirred us to a greater participation in the Cooperative Program and the many aspects of our denominational activities made possible by our State Convention.

28. Without further comment, Mrs. Jesse Fortenberry presented the W.M.U. Report and upon moving for its adoption received a favorable vote of acceptance.

29. The congregation joined in singing the hymn "Our Best."

30. Fred Sain introduced to the assembly of delegates and visitors Rev. James Lambert, a missionary to Region 7 of Western North Carolina. He was guest speaker for the Missionary Message.

31. After the introduction of Rev. Lambert but before he spoke, we were favored by a beautiful choral presentation by the choir of Berea under the direction of Robert Berry. This musical treat added to the spirit of the meeting and was greatly enjoyed by all those present.

32. The missionary message by James Lambert, based on verses from Luke 4, challenged us to answer several questions: (1) Do we really believe there is no other name given among men whereby we must be saved? (2) When you accepted Christ did you accept your responsibility for His world? (3) Does my mind really know what my heart professes? (4) What's happened to the exhilaration which came with salvation?

Rev. Lambert's remarks were inspirational and challenging and brought to a fitting climax the program for the first day's meeting of the South Mountain Baptist Association.

33. Closing remarks by Rev. Sullivan included a brief resume of the days program and the extending of an invitation to Berea to attend the last sessions of our annual associational meeting.

34. Following the benediction by Rev. Harold Dellinger, the group was dismissed to return to the various church communities of our association, hopefully in an attitude of prayer and thanksgiving for God's presence throughout the entire session.

Friday Afternoon

35. Being made aware of God's eternal presence by observing the countryside splashed with hues of every color, we were in an attitude of worship and reverence as officers, visitors, and delegates assembled in the sanctuary of Berea Baptist Church. The sound of the gavel indicated the beginning of the second day's sessions of the South Mountain Baptist Association. Rev. Ashe presided and called the meeting to order.

36. The group joined in the hymn "God of Grace, God of Glory" directed by Rev. Gwyn Sullivan and accompanied by Mrs. Joe Edwards as pianist.

37. Scripture from Hebrews 13:20 ... and appropriate comments were included in our devotional thoughts presented by Rev. Sullivan. Our meditation was concluded with prayer

38. A cordial welcome was extended to all those present by Rev. Ashe.

39. The clerk, Lucille Upton, read the minutes of the previous sessions and they were accepted as read.

40. Woodrow Hill of Raleigh, a staff member of the BIBLICAL RECORDER, gave a most inspiring message on this religious publication keeping Baptists informed of denominational activities. He urged that the BIBLICAL RECORDER be included in every church budget thus assuring each family of having its weekly copy. He described every Baptist not reading the RECORDER regularly as being not informed, mis-informed or poorly informed and stated the aim of the publication to lift the veil of ignorance from church members.

41. Acting in behalf of Rev. Thomas Berry who was unable to attend due to his involvement in revival services, Rev. Ralph Staton presented the report on Evangelism and moved the adoption of the submitted report which the group accepted.

42. The American Bible Society Report was submitted by Russell L. Huffman who moved the adoption but declined to speak. The assembly voted to accept his report.

43. Robert Berry presented the Stewardship Report and following his motion for adoption he made brief but worthwhile comments and received a vote of acceptance by the delegates.

44. Following a move to adopt his Sunday School Report as presented Fred Sain spoke to the report giving some publicity to up-coming events which are important to the associational program. These were High Attendance Sunday on October 31 and his urgence of 100% cooperation in reporting to him attendance in all churches, our record being relayed to Raleigh and becoming a part of the attendance record for the entire state; Holiday Retreat scheduled for Thanksgiving Weekend aimed at special training for leaders in churches with smaller attendance. He urged each church to send at least one representative and avail themselves of the benefits of this very valuable training.

45. With Robert Berry leading and Mrs. Joe Edwards at the piano, the congregation joined in singing the hymn "Make Me a Blessing."

46. Rev. Edsel Mull presented the report on Associational Missions and secured the vote of the assembly favoring petition to request $2,400 from the Baptist State Convention to supplement the salary of the Associational Superintendent of Missions.

47. Following a move for adoption of the Annuity Report, Rev. Edsel Mull spoke briefly concerning the importance of this program in furnishing Health, Disability, Life Insurance and Retirement Benefits for ministers and church staff members. All churches were urged to provide this protection for their pastors. The report was accepted as presented.

48. Robert Berry presented the Church Training Report and after moving its adoption spoke briefly concerning the importance of trained workmen. He publicized the forthcoming 100,000 campaign to be conducted January to April 1977 aimed at increasing our training enrollment by that number. He pointed out that the goal could be reached if each church would have a 10% increase within its own membership. The assembly favorably accepted his report.

49. Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, our associational representative on the General Board shared with us some of the plans and projects being formulated by the Board members and discussed at the most recent meeting held at Camp Caraway. He spoke concerning Dr. Cecil Ray, the new Executive Secretary, and his desire to increase representation on boards, trustees and agencies by involving qualified lay members. His four point challenge included the following:

(1) Pray for churches
(2) Guard against overemphasizing some areas and neglecting others, particularly social needs
(3) Move with growth compassion—concern for the lost and increase in tithing
(4) Special prayer for personnel, programs and financial goals

50. Several items were discussed during the time allocated for miscellaneous business. Upon a motion by Rev. Sullivan and a second by Rev. Jerry Bryant the proposal was made to establish a Constitution Committee whose responsibility it would be to review, revise and update our Associational Constitution. It was requested that specific job descriptions be written to serve as guidelines for the various positions created by the associational organization. It was further moved that a committee of three be appointed this year and then the committee become one of the standing committees named annually by the Nominating Committee and

elected by the delegate body. The group granted the moderator the privilege of naming the original committee by appointment.

Fred Sain petitioned an increased involvement on the Nominating Committee to include the heads of various departments to supplement knowledge of eligible and capable individuals for the various positions of leadership in the association. He expressed hope that the newly constituted Constitution Committee will give this matter very serious consideration.

51. The group joined in the singing of the hymn "Who Is On the Lord's Side?" directed by Robert Berry and accompanied by Mrs. Edwards.

52. As a fitting preparation for the doctrinal message, the group spent a time in prayer led by Rev. Jerry Bryant.

53. Due to involvement in revival services Rev. Ray Woody designated minister for the doctrinal message was unable to be present. By action of the Executive Committee Rev. Ralph Staton was named his alternate and brought to the group a very stirring message using the theme: THE PURPOSE OF THE BIBLE—WHAT IT IS FOR. The scriptural basis for his remarks was James 1:1-27. His two main points of emphasis was that the Bible was for reading and applying.

54. Rev. Sullivan extended a warm personal welcome in behalf of his congregation. He gave instructions for the comfort and convenience of all visitors and directions for the serving of the evening meal in the Educational Building adjoining the church.

55. A combination prayer and grace for the good was given by Delbert Walker.

56. The group then went to the designated area and enjoyed a delicious meal and an hour of fellowship together.

Friday Night

57. The call to order automatically opened the final session of the South Mountain Baptist Association. Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, Vice Moderator, presided over the evening's program and activities.

58. Kenneth Sain directed and Mrs. Joe Edwards accompanied the congregation as they joined in singing "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus."

59. Robert Berry of Berea presented the scripture reading from Matthew 7 and emphasized our responsibility to Christ in appropriate and worthwhile remarks. He concluded the time of worship and meditation with prayer.

60. The enrollment, distribution of programs and books of reports was done by Mrs. Brenda Grandstaff and Mrs. Doris Townsend of Berea. We thank them for their valuable service and the report of some 132 visitors, guests and delegates in attendance.

61. Rev. Sullivan again extended a welcome to all who were present, especially those who had just come for the last session.

62. Having previously presented the proposed budget on Thursday, Delbert Walker moved the adoption of the budget giving special attention and explanation to the proposed increases. The budget was favorably accepted by the delegates.

63. Rev. T. A. Lineberger, Camp Director, moved the adoption of his submitted South Mountain Baptist Camp Report and spoke enthusiastically concerning the past season giving a glorious account of decisions and rededications among campers. He highlighted building projects and the remodeling and addition of new cottages. He urged greater support of the Camp and its program through financial donations and increased attendance from our churches.

64. Warren Yancey served as Chairman of the Committee on Committees. He and other members submitted a list of persons to serve on the various committees and after moving for adoption the report was accepted. That list of committees appears elsewhere in the annual and is not listed in these proceedings.

65. The report of the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee was presented by Mrs. Flavie Houston and is as follows:

Time: October 13 and 14, 1977
Places: Pisgah and Walker's Chapel
Preachers: Missionary Message—Rev. Jerry Bryant
Alternate—Rev. Barry Lafone
Doctrinal Message—Rev. Jimmy Cox
Alternate—Rev. Steve Hardin

66. The kind words of appreciation expressed by the Resolutions Committee were presented by Warren Yancey. The exact report is not here duplicated but is included elsewhere in the annual.

67. The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Fred Sain who served as Chairman. The report included not only officers to serve in the coming year but listed individuals designated to give reports during the next annual session. The complete report is included in the composite of all the reports.

68. Rev. Harold Ashe, out-going moderator, proceeded to conduct the installation of new officers and signified the transfer of authority by presenting the gavel to the newly elected moderator, Rev. Sullivan. He solicited lists of persons in the association capable and willing to serve as officers and committee members in promoting even greater work in our association. He urged better attendance at the regularly scheduled Executive Committee Meetings held throughout the year. He expressed appreciation to officers who had served with him during his term as moderator.

69. The first official duty of the new moderator was to name the Committee on Committees to serve during the year. Those named by Rev. Sullivan to serve in this capacity were: Warren Yancey, Chairman; Rev. Jerry Bryant, Rev. Edsel Mull, Rev. Joe Edwards, and Rev. Ralph Slaton.

70. Memorial thoughts prepared and submitted by Mrs. Adene Hicks were given in her absence by Mrs. Harold Dellinger. After reading the appropriate tribute Mrs. Dellinger asked the congregation to stand as she read the list of those who had passed from the membership of the various churches. A moment of silent prayer was observed as a part of the memorial and the closing prayer was given by Rev. T. A. Lineberger.

71. The congregation then joined in the hymn "Amazing Grace."

72. The choir of Mt. Vernon under the direction of Omar Hoyle and accompanied by Sue Burton, organist, and Reba Houser, pianist, presented two musical selections entitled "I Know I'm Saved" and "He'll Hold To My Hand." This message in song was enjoyed by the entire assembly.

73. The Moderator's Address delivered by Rev. Harold Ashe centered around the theme Let the Church Stand Up. The scriptural basis for his thoughts was Ezekiel 22:26-31 and he emphasized that God was looking for one man to stand in the gap—thereby urging us to be faithful in that to which God had called us.

74. Rev. Dellinger expressed his appreciation for the cooperation he had received and the cordial welcome extended by each of the churches he had visited in his first year. He offered his services to any church desiring his help and guidance.

75. With all matters taken care of and each person feeling lifted up in spirit, the final benediction was pronounced by Rev. Joe Edwards. Both delegates and visitors were dismissed to go back to their own respective churches and become actively engaged in work which will hopefully make 1977 an even greater year for the Lord in our association.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT

The Bicentennial of the American Revolution is here and churches across the country are planning how they will participate in this great celebration.

The American Bible Society can help churches with copies of God's Word to guide them.

The goal of the American Bible Society is to provide translation, publication and distribution of the scriptures in the language of the people, without doctrinal note or comment and without profit.

Scripture distribution in the United States during 1975 reached a total of 109,469,781 copies, an increase of 11,181,000 over 1974.

The Executive Committee of the American Bible Societies pledged $11.2 million for the support of its world-wide program in 1976. The American Bible Society, therefore, must ask for increased support from the churches.

We ask your continued prayers, that the Bible Society, in partnership with the Southern Baptist Convention and other willing Christians, may perform even more effectively its task of bringing the Word of God to those who ask for and need it.

May I challenge each Budget and Finance Committee of every church in our South Mountain Baptist Association to designate a gift to this world-wide ministry of God's Word.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell L. Huffman

1976 ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT
ANNUITY BOARD OF THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Southern Baptist Churches depend on the Annuity Board to provide retirement and insurance protection to pastors and others in church related vocations.

The Board holds in trust retirement contributions from nearly 40,000 persons. Their contributions will be converted into annuity benefits when they retire.

These contributions, taken together, are considered as funds held in trust by the Annuity Board. They now amount to $401,135,261. While this appears to be a great deal of money, this must be divided among the 40,000 future annuitants and serve their lifetime, post-retirement needs.

Darold H. Morgan, President of the Board, described 1975 as "An Excellent Year of Recovery, Growth, and Optimism" for the Agency. Income from the investment of funds held in trust attained a one-year record of $23,149,064.

Benefits paid to retirees, widows, and the disabled in 1975 amounted to $15,734,003. During the Annuity Board's 58 years of existence, it has paid more than $141 million in retirement and protection benefits.

A 13th Check issued in December, 1975 provided 8,221 annuitants with an extra month's income to help them combat the rapidly rising cost of living. The combined amount of this extra benefit came to $733,585. It is called the 13th Check because it is over and above the 12 regular monthly payments.

The Annuity Board helps churches and SBC agencies get the best coverage at the most advantageous rates in life, health, and disability insurance.

Additional information about the Annuity Board may be obtained through the Development Office, Annuity Board, SBC, 511 North Akard Building, Dallas, Texas 75201.

STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS, 1976

RETIREMENT PLANS	TOTAL MEMBERS	INSURANCE	
Plan A (Churches-Agencies)	27,542	Health Insurance	15,929
Plan B (Churches-Agencies)	20,580	Group Life (Churches)	8,657
Plan C(Churches-Agencies)	5,829	Group Life (Agencies)	10,981
Total Benefits Paid (Retirement)	$15,734,000	*Life Benefit Plan	3,373
Relief Benefits	$254,204		
Relief Recipients	420	*Closed to New Members	

In North Carolina 2667 staff members of 2140 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program, 2421 in the Family Benefit Section (Plan A), 1069 in the Age Security Section (Plan B), and 240 in the Variable Benefit Section (Plan C)

Rev. Edsel Mull

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
1977 PROPOSED BUDGET

Missionary Salary	$7,040.00	$
Missionary's Travel Expense	750.00	290.00
Missionary's Retirement	640.00	
Missionary's Health Benefit	436.00	290.00
Missionary's Utilities	450.00	290.00
Secretary's Salary	330.00	20.00
Sunday School Director's Compensation	200.00	50.00
Miscellaneous Supplies	250.00	
Machine Equipment Repair	50.00	
Office Equipment	200.00	
Postage	200.00	100.00
Church Training	75.00	
Sunday School	200.00	
Women's Missionary Union	150.00	100.00
Royal Ambassadors	45.00	100.00
Minutes	800.00	
Vacation Bible School	150.00	
Evangelism	100.00	
Brotherhood	25.00	
South Mountain Baptist Camp	50.00	
Church Music	50.00	
Treasurer's Compensation	250.00	
Clerk's Compensation	250.00	
Communication	50.00	
Training at Ridgecrest	325.00	
Associational Speaker's Fee	150.00	
Telephone	300.00	150.00
Missionary's Christmas Gift	50.00	
Electricity	150.00	100.00
Fuel	150.00	100.00
Church Administration Conference Pastors	75.00	
Office Unit Payments	1,000.00	
Miscellaneous Expense	100.00	
Travel—Southern Baptist Convention (Tentative)		350.00
		$16,981.00

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF N.C.

As our nation enters its third century, we are reminded that its future is in its children. We have no greater national need than strength of character and wholeness of persons in our citizens. Yet, too many children, through family tragedy or breakdown or weakness, are deprived of the growing experiences so essential to wholeness of life.

The purpose of the Baptist Children's Homes of N.C. is to help make up this loss through a Christian Ministry of quality child care. Emergency care is offered the child who needs immediate short-term care to provide time for a more permanent plan. Group care is offered the child who needs the multiple relationships which a group of his peers and a Staff of Christian Professionals can provide.

Foster care is offered the preschooler and the older child who needs the closer relationships of a family setting. Maternity care is offered the unwed mother and her child. Preschool care and education are offered to a select group of younger children. Consultation in Child Development and Family Life Education is offered to churches concerned for families and children in their communities. Varied planning and counselling services are offered to families in stress.

In each of these services, the focus is on the whole family; the motivation is Christian love; the aim is wholeness and health for the persons served.

To make these varied services available to families and children, a statewide network of facilities and programs has emerged. Indian Beach, Kinston, Pembroke, Fayetteville, Raleigh, Burlington, Wallburg, Thomasville, Charlotte, Forest City, Asheville, Waynesville—each site is a base of operations from which families in need can secure assistance. Furthermore, the staff is prepared to call on the additional resources of religious, educational, medical, psychological, recreational, and social service personnel in the communities to help persons grow to their full potential.

No greater investment can be made in the future of God's Kingdom or in the future of America than to invest in children. Your support of missions through the Cooperative Program is the lifeline of the Baptist Children's Homes. Your special gift at Thanksgiving further guarantees the continuance of Christian Child Care. The staff and children of the Baptist Children's Homes pledge themselves to make the most of the opportunity your investment provides.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Pearl Chapman

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST COLLEGES AND THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

There are 53 colleges supported by the various Baptist State Conventions. The enrollment of the seven North Carolina Baptist Colleges comprises about 15% of the total enrollment of these 53 schools. While the Southern Baptist Convention does not own any colleges, there is a strong emphasis by the Denomination upon Christian Higher Education through the SBC Education Commission. In the BAPTIST FAITH AND MESSAGE, adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1963, the following statement occurs: "The cause of education in the Kingdom of Christ is co-ordinate with the causes of missions and general benevolence and should receive along with these the liberal support of the churches. An adequate system of Christian schools is necessary to a complete spiritual program for Christ's people."

THE MISSION OF BAPTIST COLLEGES

In a secular world with its materialistic priorities, Baptist colleges are committed to the guidance of Christian values in the search for truth. Believing that God is the source of all knowledge and wisdom, Baptist colleges can urge students to search for truth in all areas of knowledge without fear.

Baptist colleges reaffirm their gratitude for the support given by Baptists through the Cooperative Program. We further reaffirm our faith in and our support of the local church, and the broad programs of our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
Cecil Buff

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

As we look back over the past year, we cannot see a lot of visible accomplishments. We did have a good "M" Night service at the Zion Hill Baptist Church. We do trust that the seed has been planted for greater things to come and count it a blessing to be able to serve the Lord.

A question has been raised, "Why Train Church Members? " In the last decade Southern Baptist churches have lost more members than the U. S. Military has in all of its major wars. This alone should be reason enough, but Christ commands it. For God's people to be prepared for Christian service, they must be trained. Christian growth does not come automat-

ically. Church members who work at growing spiritually move from spiritual infancy toward spiritual maturity and will be prepared for the work of Christian service—"Trained Workmen" who have not cause to be ashamed of their work (2 Timothy 2:15).

If you do not have Church Training in your church, let's begin. Those of you who do have a Church Training Program, let me urge you to continue to work for its growth. There are many things to be excited about—one being a new thrust by our convention of a three-year emphasis on "Discipleship." Believe me, "Church is the Place to be on Sunday Night for Training Disciples for the Lord."

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Berry, Associational
Church Training Director

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES FOR 1976-1977

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
1. Fred Sain—Chairman
2. Cecil Cook
3. Vester Shull
4. Leonard Newton
5. Robert Berry

FINANCE COMMITTEE
1. Delbert Walker—Chairman
2. Rev. Gwen Sullivan
3. Sam Proctor
4. Bill Clark
5. Steve Stillwell

PETITIONARY LETTERS AND CONSTITUTION ORDINATION OF MINISTERS AND CONSTITUTION OF CHURCH
1. Rev. Ralph Station—Chairman
2. Billy Evans
3. Rev. Cecil Buff
4. Alvin Brittian
5. Ralph Townsend

TRUSTEES
1. E. A. Rudisill—Chairman
2. Fred Sain
3. Ed Keller

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE
1. Rev. Thomas Berry, Chairman
2. Rev. Jimmy Cox
3. Rev. Ray Woody
4. Rev. Harold Ashe
5. Rev. Joe Edwards

SOUTH MOUNTAIN CAMP
1. Rev. T. A. Lineberger, Chairman
2. Rev. Jerry Bryant
3. Rev. Ned Perkins
4. Horace Sain
5. Mrs. Fred Sain

MISSIONS COMMITTEE
1. Rev. Edsel Mull, Chairman
2. Warren Yancey
3. Rev. Robert Beck
4. Miss Doris Upton
5. Rev. Clyde Houston

Respectfully submitted,
Warren Yancey, Chairman
Rev. Ralph Staton
Rev. Edsel Mull
Clarence Brittian
Rev. Cecil Buff

Baptist State Convention of N. C.—Cecil A. Ray, General Sec'y-Treas
Dept. of Stewardship and Cooperative Program Promotion, R. Tom Greene, Director

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM RECEIPTS

Cooperative Program gifts actually received by the business office of Baptist State Convention of North Carolina for the period listed below. These gifts are divided among all work of the denomination.

Special offerings from the churches are not included in these figures. Check this with your church records and please report any difference to R. Tom Greene, PO Box 26508, Raleigh, N. C. 27611.

JUNE 30, 1976

CHURCHES	CURRENT QUARTER	TO DATE ABOVE	TO THIS DATE LAST YEAR	GOAL—% OF CH. BUDGET
SOUTH MOUNTAIN				
Abee's Chapel	.00	.00	.00	.190%
Berea	2,329.62	3,609.23	2,647.89	15.000%
Beulah	.00	.00	.00	2.000%
Carswell Memorial	46.00	76.00	75.00	
Corinth	275.00	440.00	250.00	
Drowning Creek	.00	.00	.00	
Faith Olive	15.37	34.12	32.55	
Grace and Truth	.00	.00	.00	
Hildebran View	.00	.00	.00	
Hoyle Memorial	.00	.00	.00	
Laurel Haven	.00	.00	.00	
Midway	.00	.00	.00	
Mount Calvary	.00	.00	.00	
Mount Gilead	.00	.00	.00	
Mount Hebron	888.93	2,074.17	2,019.15	12.000%
Mount Vernon	994.41	2,018.34	1,518.06	15.000%
Mount Zion	.00	.00	50.00	6.000%
Mull's Chapel	29.70	29.70	.00	
Oak Ridge	1,220.00	4,520.00	.00	8.000%
Olive Grove	.00	.00	.00	
Philadelphia	55.70	55.70	27.00	
Pisgah	899.72	899.72	431.25	10.000%
Pleasant Grove	.00	.00	.00	
St. John's	.00	.00	.00	
St. Paul	.00	50.00	214.34	
Shoup's Grove	225.00	450.00	450.00	
Smarts Grove	.00	.00	.00	
South Fork	693.71	1,369.01	454.46	4.000%
Tabernacle	.00	.00	.00	
Walker's Chapel	.00	.00	.00	
Wilkies Grove	1,271.86	2,543.79	1,776.73	10.500%
Zion Hill	528.05	528.05	479.27	7.000%
Zoar	.00	.00	.00	
Other than church	.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	9,473.07	18,697.83	10,425.70	

EVANGELISM REPORT

Praise God for the way He is blessing His people through Evangelism. This is an exciting time to be a servant and a child of the King. Listed below are a few of the exciting things our Lord has done for us this year.

1. Statewide Evangelistic Conference, Asheville, N. C., Theme: "Freedom in Christ," the best ever. More than 2600 attended.

II. Lay Evangelism Schools during the past 4 1/2 years, 14,284 people from 1,150 churches and 62 associations have participated in the schools, with 896 Professions of Faith in the homes.

III. Youth Ministry Week, June 14-18—Caswell, 525 youth attended with 53 decisions for Christ.

IV. Two summer youth teams are directing revivals across the state in 18 churches

V. Youth Evangelism strategy:

A. Leadership Family

B. Touch Ministry

C. Descipleship Groups

D. Joy Explosion

W.O.W. "Win our World" is included in this strategy and involves specific training for our youth.

VI. 6th Statewide Youth Evangelism Night, Greensboro, August 13 more than 12,000 in attendance, with 422 decisions and an offering of $4,282.00 to be used for Summer Youth Evangelism Teams for 1977.

VIII. Youth led crusade. South Mountain Camp Chapel. I personally want to commend these outstanding young Christian youths who did a superb job in leading this crusade. My heart was blessed, they were excited and I feel we have much to be thankful for in our churches. God has blessed us with some of the best in youth. Brother Pastor, if the youth from your church did not participate in this meeting, you, your youth, your church, missed a blessing.

VIII. February 7-9, 1977, Greensboro, is the time and place for the 31st Statewide Evangelism Conference.

I am reminded of the little chorus, "If It Keeps Getting Better and Better I don't know what I'm going to do." As was stated in the first paragraph, it is an exciting time to be saved and serving God.

Respectfully submitted,
Brothers in Christ,
Ralph Staton
Darrell Pruette
Ray Woody
Jimmy Cox
Thomas Berry

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

As the year draws to a close and we take a look at the activities promoted and projects carried on by the South Mountain Baptist Association, we are grateful for the progress that has been made. We are indebted to those whose leadership and inspiration prompted us to undertake and move forward in the work of the Lord.

The regularly scheduled meetings of the association were held with several called meetings to consider items of special urgency. One such meeting was held on November 4 and resulted in the naming of the Committee on Committees appointed by the Moderator. Those named to serve on this committee were: Warren Yancy, Chairman, Edsel Mull, Cecil Buff, Ralph Staton, and Clarence Brittain. A request submitted to the Baptist State Convention resulted in a grant of financial assistance to supplement the salary of the Associational Superintendent of Missions.

By virtue of his position as Superintendent of Missions, Rev. Dellinger chose Mrs. Dellinger as his part-time secretary in preparing printed materials connected with Associational publications and promotional activities. The Executive Committee voted to transfer a portion of the remaining secretarial funds from the previous budget to Mrs. Dellinger for her services in preparing the Book of Reports.

Due to losses through breaking, entering and theft of Associational office equipment and facilities, the Re-Evaluation Committee was authorized to finalize plans for relocating the mobile office on property belonging to Beulah Baptist Church. This was done by submitting a letter stating proposals recommended by the committee and securing the favorable acceptance by the congregation of the Beulah Baptist Church.

The theft of equipment necessitated the purchase of a new mimeograph machine. After Rev. Dellinger and the Missions Committee had done some comparative pricing in order to secure the most economical bid, the purchase was completed.

Due to the resignation of Rev. Paul Crotts, Rev. Gwyn Sullivan was named to the General Board to complete his unexpired term.

With the relocation of the Associational office, the meetings of the Executive Committee were transferred from Mt. Hebron to the office unit and a letter of appreciation was sent to the church for affording us the opportunity of using their facilities.

In connection with the relocation and refurnishing of the associational office, Rev. Buren Hastings presented some tables and chairs; moving expenses, the grassing, landscaping, and graveled parking facilities were worthwhile contributions and accomplishments for which we are grateful.

We were highly elated over the good report on High Attendance Day and the cooperation of every church in helping to achieve 100% in reporting to our Sunday School Director.

Each organization has planned and carried out promotional programs to improve all phases of work in our association. Their individual accomplishments are noted in departmental reports. The association is grateful for the dedicated leadership of all Directors and the cooperation of churches in working together during the past year.

One of the highlights of the year's work was the planning and the execution of the Associational Youth Revival led by the young people of the various churches of our association. So successful was the program and so enthusiastic the reception of such leadership by the youth of South Mountain that already plans are being formulated for another similar project for the coming year.

A new venture for the association this year was the sending of our Associational Superintendent of Missions to the Southern Baptist Convention. We feel that to be represented by a delegate and receive first hand information is a strengthening influence on our concern and cooperation in Southern Baptist programs and promotions.

We have had organizational leaders attend training sessions and then promote and share their information through leadership conferences and workshop training with local church leaders. We appreciate their initiative in planning and sharing information and ideas gleaned from such state meetings and feel sure that all churches which avail themselves of all teaching/training opportunities afforded through Associational Leadership will profit. We urge more whole-hearted participation from a larger percent of all South Mountain churches so that even greater things might be done in the name of our Lord and Savior.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille Upton

SUPERINTENDENT OF MISSIONS REPORT

LET THE CHURCH STAND UP says many things, not only to be seen, but to do the work of the Lord in all branches that can help hold the Kingdom of God together, and move forward.

Our Executive Committee Meetings have not been too well attended this past year. This does not say we are failing, but it makes us ask a question, are people really interested?

LET THE CHURCH STAND UP with its tithe, time, and talent is important to every Christian in the sight of God. He knows within us which is the most important in our lives.

Looking back will not help us in evaluating where we stand in God's Kingdom. As bold believers in giving through the Cooperative Program and giving a percentage to Associational Missions, we can meet the needs of the great commission.

Tithing is taught throughout the Bible, so as a tither I am not giving an excuse not to use my talent and time also. Let's let the year 1977 be a year of winning souls for Christ and a bold year

for missions throughout the world.

Let's pray daily for our Associational Officers this coming year and most of all, pledge our support in each of these branches of God's work. Let's give it our best.

Respectfully submitted,
Director of Missions,
Harold Dellinger

N. C. BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING REPORT

Your North Carolina Baptist Homes have completed 25 years of growth and development. These years have been filled with the goodness and blessings of our Lord. He has brought us from one home in 1951, to five homes and an excellent nursing facility, from one resident to 230 residents and patients.

The past year has been one of special excitement and enthusiam as we entered into the fund-raising report to raise $1,000,000 for the construction of the western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville. Ralph Cannon, Beloved Pastor, and Trustee of the Homes, was called to serve as Director of Development and Denominational Relations and has led the fund raising program for the Western North Carolina Baptist Home in a remarkable way. Brother Cannon reports the response from our Baptist Pastors and people in Western North Carolina, with those throughout the state, has been most encouraging.

When completed, the Western North Carolina Home in Asheville will accommodate 50 people and will bring the total capacity of our Baptist Homes and the Nursing Care Unit to 280.

In these homes the best of care is given, the compassion and love of Christ shared and underscored. The love gifts of North Carolina Baptists make this Christian care and concern possible through two very vital sources—The Cooperative Program, and special offering for the Homes, received on the third Sunday of February each year. These life-sustaining gifts are very deeply appreciated. If we are to meet the overwhelming needs of older people in our midst, we must double and triple our efforts, both in numbers ministered to, and in support of them.

Close at hand is another venture in the development of the Homes, that is the building of apartments on the site of the Hayes Home property in Winston Salem. The first of these units is to be completed by the fall of 1977. Those interested in this phase of the Ministry of Baptist Homes may contact Bill Poole, the Executive Director, of the Homes for information.

Great things are in store for us in our Homes for the Aging as we look to the future. We covet the earnest prayer and the continual support of every North Carolina Baptist as we move ahead in this challenging ministry to older people in our midst.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Woody

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION 1976

"Christian Stewardship" is a phrase frequently heard in staff meetings at Baptist Hospital. The hospital's leadership holds to a philosophy of administration based on stewardship and tries to pass this on to all employees. A continuing effort is made to help each employee, whatever his particular job, to realize that he is part of a team involved in a Christian ministry of healing. The difference this makes in the whole atmosphere of the hospital is evident to patients and visitors.

This sense of stewardship demands a continual updating and upgrading of medical procedures to assure patients the highest quality care. One of the most significant recent developments is the creation of a department of family medicine. This department provides

primary health care for a limited number of families, that is, the kind of all-round, ongoing health care normally provided by a family physician. At the same time the department offers training in family medicine for physicians who will enter this field of practice. This will help to balance the trend of recent years toward increased specialization in the practice of medicine.

Many of the physicians training in family medicine are receiving part of their clinical experience in small towns and rural communities under the auspices of the Area Health Education Centers (AHEC), created by The State Legislature. It is believed and hoped that some of them will choose to remain in these areas for their permanent practice.

Improvement of physical facilities is another expression of the hospital's sense of stewardship. In recent months renovation of the west and south wings of the hospital has been completed; construction has been completed on an addition to the water-chilling facilities: construction has begun on a 4-level parking deck in front of Reynolds Tower which will provide approximately 800 parking spaces for visitors; and construction has begun on a new building to house the new department of family medicine.

The Pastoral Care Department continues to make its contributions toward the fulfillment of our stewardship. A Chaplain is assigned to each area of the hospital and is responsible for providing a Pastoral Ministry to patients, staff and visitors in that area. There are capacity enrollments in all phases of the clinical Pastoral Education Programs. A third satellite has opened in Morganton during the past year.

Mother's Day gifts for the fiscal year ending June 30 were $405,946.52, compared to a total of $390,000 for the preceding fiscal year.

In Memoriam

During this Bicentennial year in the life of our country, we have heard much about forefathers, liberty, freedom and we have given other accolades concerning the founding of our nation.

Along with this thought is also the realization that there have been before us those who struggled and survived in their quest for religious freedom, and we need to give thought and appreciation to them.

So we remember with gratitude and a sense of loss those who left our spiritual family during this year, 1976.

From the Book 2 ON A GRAPEFRUIT by James Weekley, we find these thoughts worth remembering in this most historical year and in any year. "Death is not a pleasant thought. Death makes life so uncertain. Sooner or later, we must level with it and we must prepare ourselves for it. Faith is the key which unlocks our fears and uncertainties. A mere passive faith will never do, but we need the faith which belongs to those who trust in Jesus Christ—the faith which lives one day at a time and takes full advantage of every moment. This is the kind of faith that will give living hope to others as they face loneliness, despair, alienation, and that is the beginning of eternal life!"

Jesus said to her: "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though he dies." John 11:25.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Frank Hicks

Our Beloved Dead

ABEE'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Lourine Moody, Mr. O. C. Carter, Mr. Jessie Hildebran
BEREA: Mr. Joe Johnson, Mr. Brad Brank, Mr. Walter Childers, Mr. George Price
CARSWELL MEMORIAL: Mrs. Sadie Sweeney, Mr. Gary Wray
CORINTH: Miss Sallie McNeilly
DROWNING CREEK: Mrs. Ila Weaver
MIDWAY: Mrs. N. R. Cody, Mr. Curtis Hefner
MT. CALVARY: Mrs. Nona Lowman
MT. HEBRON: Mr. Russell Hoyle
MULL'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Betty Mull
OAK RIDGE: Mr. Frank Barnes
OLIVE GROVE: Mrs. Annie Bell Cook, Mrs. Maudie Swink
PHILADELPHIA: Mrs. Lucy Belle Huffman, Mr. Marshall Huffman
ST. JOHN'S: Mr. Russell Huffman, Mr. Marvin McNeilly (Deacon), Mr. Crate Jones, Miss Lottie Cloud
ST. PAUL: Mr. Hubert Towery (Deacon), Mrs. Minnie Willis, Mr. Amos Wortman, Mrs. Minnie Cook Pearson
SHOUP'S GROVE: Miss Joanie Hoyle, Miss Edna Moody
SMART'S GROVE: Rev. John Abee, Miss Janie Lail
WILKIE'S GROVE: Mrs. Catherine Brittain, Mrs. Augusta Burns

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Moderator. . . . . Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Vice Moderator. . . . . Rev. Thomas Berry
Clerk. . . . . Miss Lucille Upton
Treasurer. . . . . Miss Doris Upton
Sunday School Director. . . . . Fred Sain
Church Training Director. . . . . Robert Berry
Brotherhood Director. . . . . Joe Goforth
Vacation Bible School Director. . . . . Mrs. Mildred Clark
R.A. Leader. . . . . Rev. Jimmy Cox
Music Director. . . . . Kenneth Sain
Pianist. . . . . Mrs. Fred Spurling
Historian. . . . . Mrs. Edna Mull

REPORTS

Public Morals. . . . . Rev. Ned Perkins
Christian Education. . . . . Rev. Joe Edwards
Foreign Missions. . . . . Rev. Barry Lafone
Home Missions. . . . . Rev. Robert Beck
State Missions. . . . . Leonard Newton
Cooperative Program. . . . . Rev. Ralph Staton
Baptist Hospital. . . . . Rev. Steve Harden
Annuity. . . . . Rev. Edsel Mull
Religious Literature. . . . . Warren Yancey
Christian Stewardship. . . . . Mrs. Judy Berry

Obituaries..... Miss Lucille Upton
Baptist Children's Home..... Fred Sain
Homes for the Aging..... Rev. Norris Brittain
American Bible Society..... Rev. R. A. Brackett

Respectfully submitted,
Fred Sain
Rev. Robert Beck Cecil Cook
Leonard Newton Blair Wesson

1976 BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

The Old Testament prophet Hosea declared, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." Because of a great information void concerning truth, Jeremiah also cried out, "Publish and conceal not."

Just as in Old Testament days, communication still remains one of the most sensitive problems in our churches. Think for a moment—how many problems has your church had that could be traced to a lack of communication? Too many church members are misled because they are uninformed, poorly informed, or misinformed. Churches must take initiative to provide accurate information if work in the local church, association, and convention continue to show progress.

Each year more churches understand the importance of providing the RECORDER for each family. When this is done, members become more responsive because they are better informed. Baptists have made encouraging progress in recent years through bold mission enterprises and this can be traced to better-informed church members. Stewardship gains also go hand in hand with better communications. As an example, 79 of the 80 churches which led their associations in per capita mission gifts last year have a RECORDER club.

Each church needs to look at its budget carefully and then make provision to send the RECORDER to each family. Although nearly 1,100 churches in the state have the RECORDER in the budget, at least 500 more churches should take this step. Such action could be the difference between mediocrity and greatness in your church.

W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas, urges all Baptists to "stay with the state paper. Increase its circulation. Send it to the homes of all people. The reward will be great."

Louie D. Newton of Georgia who has done more than any other person to interpret the value of Baptist state s, said: "The investment any church can make in furthering the Kingdom of God is to put the Baptist state paper in the homes of the membership. These papers are the packhorses of every phase of denominational life.

If this "packhorse," meaning the RECORDER, is not going to every family in your church, may this be the year that you take this step.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Marse Grant, Editor
BIBLICAL RECORDER

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We are grateful to God for His guidance during these sixty-six years of the South Mountain Baptist Association.

Be it resolved that we express our gratitude to our host churches—Mt. Vernon and Berea for the use of their facilities and the bountiful meals prepared and served.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Edsel Mull
Rev. Cecil Buff
Warren Yancey

ASSOCIATIONAL R. A. REPORT

The RA Program of the South Mountain Association has begun to take shape. Throughout the past year plans have been made in order to offer our churches the best possible program for boys in missions.

During this year an Associational Track Meet was held at Hildebran Junior High School and our Association was represented at the N. C. RA Track Meet. A RA Workshop was held to better train and equip RA Leaders. It might be added that all the events were poorly attended and interest was minimal.

1976-1977 will be a year of direction for the RA's of The South Mountain Association. Without participation from the churches, there is no need or value in promoting an Associational Program. Events being planned at present for the coming year will be a workshop for all the churches for all RA Programs. This workshop is to be held in the month of February. Leadership will be from The State Brotherhood Department and I am sure much can be gained by your participation. In the month of June an RA conclave or overnight camp jamboree will be held. This is a time for all RA's in every church to come together for a joint experience in missions. There will be another Associational Track Meet in the month of April and it is our hope that all churches will participate. This summer, under Associational Leadership and according to rules given by The State Brotherhood Department, we will sponsor softball for the RA's. The above mentioned activities are only some of the things to take place.

As stated earlier, without your participation it is useless to plan. A committee of 5 men and I stand ready to assist our churches in their RA Programs in any way. If we can be of any service, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely yours,
Jimmy Cox
Associational RA Leader

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CAMP
1976 REPORT

THEME: FREEDOM IN CHRIST

The Lord continues to bless and meet the needs of campers who come to camp. Our program is designed to help campers to see their need for God, to know His will for their lives and to know and accept their responsibility in sharing Christ with the whole world.

We had over 3000 in attendance this year, including those who came as special groups. In addition, we had several hundreds who visited the various services. This year we averaged 176 campers per week for the twelve camps that we held which included 133 from your own Association. Of these 3000 campers the Holy Spirit inspired over 1000 to make some kind of decision, including 250 Professions of Faith. It was satisfying to present hundreds of honor and star camper awards.

Some churches and individuals remodeled four of our cottages. A 4000 gallon storage water tank was installed this summer. Other improvements were made. We purchased a new electric stove for the kitchen. A new roof was put on the Assembly Building and the Harris Cottage. The Missionary Cottage was completed enough to use this summer. An electric furnace has been given for the Kester Memorial Cottage.

The Pleasant Hill Church has built a 78 x 32 ft. Cottage with a full basement. The Lincoln Ave. Church is constructing a 40 x 30 ft. two story cottage. At least three cottages are to be remodeled. A church and two families have made commitments to build three more cottages. The First Baptist Church of Drexel is to build a cottage in 1977. The Bessemer City Church is remodeling their cottage.

We still owe $4500 on the Chapel. We need about $5000 to complete the basement. A storage building is still needed and other improvements should be made.

Respectfully submitted,
T. A. Lineberger

STEWARDSHIP

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith The Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." (Malachi 3:10).

When we think of stewardship we usually relate it to monetary values. The Bible teaches that we should do this. God not only wants us to be good stewards with our money, but our talents, time and love also. It seems we are more willing to give of our money rather than give of our time and talents. God requires us to be good stewards of The Word, of our minds, and the time which He has given us.

Moreover it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful. Hear ye the Master's call, "Give Me Thy Best!"

Respectfully submitted
Robert Berry

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT 1976

Dear Christian Friends:

It is with great pleasure that I write this Sunday School Report. This has been the most outstanding year I have had while working in this association.

1. I wish to thank every church for the welcome I have been given in visiting the churches, and for every church taking part in HIGH ATTENDANCE day last year.
2. We thank God for the good participation in Action Conference held at Zion Hill. Dr. Eugene Skelton conducted this conference. Dr. Skelton is from the Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tennessee.
3. We had an Adult Leadership Conference at Wilkie's Grove conducted by Harry Clarke from the State Board in Raleigh, N. C.

Many of our churches have had an increase in Sunday School this year. We are very well pleased with most of the work, but we will not be satisfied until we see every church in our association doing its best to win the lost and enrolling them in Sunday School.

May I ask you one question? What is an association? It is churches in fellowship on mission in their setting. Every church has its own responsibility. Let me challenge every church and all its members to commit themselves to this great commission, winning the lost to the Lord Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred A. Sain

TIME, PLACE, PREACHER COMMITTEE

Time: October 13-14, 1977
Place: First Day—Pisgah
Second Day—Walker's Chapel
Preachers: Missionary Message—Rev. Jerry Bryant
Rev. Barry Lafone, Alternate
Doctrinal Message—Rev. Jimmy Cox
Rev. Steve Hardin, Alternate

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Harold Dellinger
Mrs. Thomas Berry
Mrs. Clyde Houston

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT

9-1-75 to 8-31-76

BALANCE ON HAND 9-1-75		$ 5,824.32
RECEIPTS:		
Miscellaneous	$ 1,393.15	
Baptist State Convention	1,472.00	
Abee's Chapel	175.00	
Berea	1,261.24	
Beulah	157.50	
Carswell Memorial	180.00	
Corinth	380.00	
Drowning Creek	60.00	
Faith Olive	15.90	
Grace & Truth	12.50	
Hildebran View	10.00	
Hoyle Memorial	10.00	
Laurel Haven	31.25	
Mt. Hebron	557.50	
Mt. Vernon	1,324.01	
Mt. Zion	20.00	
Mull's Chapel	50.00	
Oak Ridge	650.00	
Olive Grove	73.75	
Philadelphia	237.85	
Pisgah	135.00	
Pleasant Grove	35.00	
St. John's	100.00	
St. Paul	30.00	
Shoup's Grove	278.75	
Smart's Grove	50.00	
South Fork	953.53	
Walker's Chapel	25.00	
Wilkie's Grove	2,612.10	
Zoar	15.00	
Zion Hill	684.08	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$12,990.11	
BALANCE ON HAND AND RECEIPTS		$18,814.43
EXPENSE:		
Missionary's Salary	$ 5,821.54	
Missionary's Travel	620.19	
Missionary's Health Benefit	360.54	
Missionary's Utilities	372.11	
Missionary's Retirement	599.98	
Secretary's Salary	335.00	
Office Unit Payments	996.48	
Electricity	139.17	
Telephone	288.14	
Septic Tank	450.00	
Gravel, Sand, Mortar, Etc.	309.64	
Fuel	101.35	
Chairs	78.00	

Typewriter	416.00	
Refrigerator	143.52	
Mimeograph Machine	632.38	
Insurance	27.00	
Water Service to Office Unit	25.00	
Postage	127.21	
Miscellaneous Supplies	39.70	
Church Training	23.24	
Sunday School	66.38	
Vacation Bible School	51.69	
Royal Ambassadors	52.55	
Women's Missionary Union	150.00	
Evangelism	150.00[1]	
South Mountain Baptist Camp	50.00	
Minutes	357.51	
Training at Ridgecrest	22.50	
Rev. Dellinger's Trip to Guadeloupe, West Indies	515.00[2]	
Christian Action League	100.00[3]	
Missionary's Christmas Gift	50.00	
Travel to Southern Baptist Convention	150.00[3]	
Sunday School Director's Compensation	200.00	
Clerk's Compensation	250.00	
Treasurer's Compensation	250.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE	$14,321.82	
BALANCE ON HAND 8-31-76		$ 4,492.61

1. Expense for Youth Revival—offset by contributions of $169.09 in offerings received at revival. Receipts included in "Miscellaneous."
2. Church and individual gifts received to offset this expense. Receipts included in "Miscellaneous."
3. Special contributions/expenditures approved by Associational Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Upton

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1975-1976

The opportunities and challenges of another year have come and gone and we have not done all that we could. With the great task ahead of us for the coming year, the women and youth in our churches need to rise with greater zeal and dedication to the service of our Lord Jesus Christ in our communities and around the world.

Records for 1975 show that there were sixty-four organizations in our Woman's Missionary Union in our Association.

They were: 17 Baptist Women Organizations
5 Baptist Young Women Organizations
15 Acteens Organizations
15 Girls in Action Organizations
12 Mission Friends Organizations

This is far too little. WMU Organizations are needed in every church in the Association to teach Missions, give to Missions, and pray for the Mission efforts around the world.

We are thankful for the work that is going on in our Association. We are especially thankful

for everyone of the dedicated leaders who has given time and effort to carry on the Lord's work through this channel.

WMU offers us the greatest challenge on earth: That of helping to bring the lost to Christ; beginning where we are and going to the ends of the earth.

The WMU theme for the year is: "Teach Missions." And Christ said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," Mark 16:15.

The Associational WMU Spring Meeting was held at the Oak Ridge Church on April 22 with fair attendance. The program was inspirational and informational.

Five of our Associational Leaders attended the State WMU Workshop at Fruitland August 20-21. The Associational Workshop was conducted September 21, at the Wilkie's Grove Church. Workshop Leaders were:

WMU Directors: Mrs. Jesse Fortenberry
And Assistant: Mrs. Edward Noe
B. W. Director: Mrs. Joe Edwards
BYW Director: Mrs. Jerry Bryant
Acteen Director: Mrs. Harold Dellinger
G. A. Director: Mrs. Grady Propst
Mission Friends Director: Mrs. Milton Rhoney

Let us pray that our organizations will go forward in this coming year to minister and witness in the name of Christ until the good news reaches to the ends of the earth.

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Jesse Fortenberry

ORGANISTS
(or Pianist if no Organist)

Abee's Chapel..... Gail Duckworth, Box 27, Valdese, 28690
Berea..... Mrs. James Wells, Box 311, Icard, 28666
Beulah..... Anna Martha Young, Rt. 3, Vale, 28168
Carswell Memorial..... Mrs. Debbie Hoglen, Rt. 11, Morganton, 28655
Corinth..... Mrs. Bobbie Bolls, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020
Drowning Creek..... Mrs. Barbara Hollar, Longview Branch, Hickory, 28601
Faith Olive..... Mrs. Louise Bowman, Rt. 8, Box 430, Hickory 28601
Grace & Truth.....
Hildebran View..... Addie Hudson, Rt. 4, Hickory, 28601
Hoyle Memorial..... Sanford Burns, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs, 28612
Laurel Haven..... Mrs. Mary Callendar, Box 404, Rutherford College, 28671
Midway..... Debbie Reynolds, Rt. 8, Box 195, Hickory, 28601
Mt. Calvary..... Belinda Lowman, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612
Mt. Gilead..... Mrs. Shirley Lail, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612
Mt. Hebron..... Mavin Carswell, Rt. 3, Box 784, Connelly Springs, 28612
Mt. Vernon..... Sue Burton, Rt. 2, Vale, 28168
Mt. Zion..... Libby Angle, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020
Mull's Chapel..... Mary Ruth Heavner, Rt. 4, Hickory, 28601
Oak Ridge..... Mrs. Lydia Bryant, Patterson St., Lenoir, 28645
Olive Grove..... Darla Gay Beck, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020
Philadelphia..... Mrs. Marilyn Brittain, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612
Pisgah..... Kenneth Beam, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020
Pleasant Grove..... Mrs. Hubert Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 318, Morganton, 28655
St. John's..... Sylvia Willis, Rt. 4, Hickory, 28601
St. Paul..... Bentha Cook, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020
Shoup's Grove..... Mrs. Linda Wagner, Box 416, Longview Branch, Hickory, 28601
Smart's Grove..... Barbara Tallent, Rt. 1, Box 124-A, Connelly Springs, 28612
South Fork..... Sherry Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 106, Connelly Springs, 28612

Tabernacle	Marie Towery, Rt. 1, Lawndale, 28090
Walker's Chapel	Mrs. Blaka Bradley, Rt. 4, Box 422-10, Morganton, 28655
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Susan Ross, Rt. 4, Hickory, 28601
Zion Hill	Mrs. Adene Hicks, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090
Zoar	Brenda Chapman, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Abee's Chapel	Ralph Abee, Rt. 1, Box 339, Connelly Springs, 28612
	Mack Hodge, Rt. 3, Box 627, Spruce Pine, 28777
Berea	Paul Robinson, Box 175, Connelly Springs, 28612
Mt. Gilead	Kenneth Cook, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020
	Jim Self, Casar, 28020
Mt. Vernon	Harold Dellinger, Rt. 1, Box 305, Shelby, 28150
	Ford Houser, Rt. 2, Vale, 28168
	D. C. Wesson, Rt. 2, Vale, 28168
St. Paul	R. A. Brackett, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090
Smart's Grove	John Smart, Valdese, 28690
	M. M. Smart, Rt. 3, Box 850, Connelly Springs, 28612
South Fork	George Huffman, Jr., Box 823, Hildebran, 28637
Wilkie's Grove	Michael Staton, Box 187, Boiling Springs, 28017
Zion Hill	T. A. Lineberger, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612

LICENSED MINISTERS

Drowning Creek	Jerrry Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory, 28601
Grace and Truth	Jesse Paysour, Box 641, Newton, 28658
Mt. Vernon	Larry Burton, Rt. 2, Vale, 28168
Pleasant Grove	Jimmy E. Harmon, Rt. 4, Box 313, Morganton, 28655
St. John's	Jimmy Brittain, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612
St. Paul	Roy Hasling, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090
Shoup's Grove	Dale Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory, 28601
	Harold Frank Ashe, Box 240, Icard, 28666
	Stephen Propst, Box 35, Icard, 28666
South Fork	Mickey Propost, Rt. 4, Hickory, 28601

SPECIAL NOTES

Carswell Memorial: A new Fellowship Hall was constructed.

Midway: Mr. Ed Wright was ordained as a deacon. The roof and the sanctuary interior were remodeled. The church purchased an organ.

Mt. Vernon: Larry Burton was licensed as a minister this year and is now a student at Southeastern Seminary. He is a 1976 graduate of Appalachian State University. The pastorium was completely renovated and carpeted.

Pleasant Grove: The addition of a steeple has greatly enhanced the appearance of the church.
Shoup's Grove: Stephen Propst is serving as Minister of Music for a Youth Choir in another church.
South Fork: The church has completed a new Educational Building.
Wilkie's Grove: Michael Staton was ordained into the ministry this year. He is a student at Gardner Webb College.
Zion Hill: The rest rooms in the Educational Building were renovated. The church purchased a baby grand piano.

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION 1976

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Clerk: MISS LUCILLE UPTON
Address: Rt. 2, Box 308 City: Vale State: N. C. Zip: 28168

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES	County	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
			3	4	5		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	24	25	26
			Location: 1—Open Country; 2—Village (under 500 pop.); 3—Town (300-2499); 4—Small City (2500-9,999); Medium City (10,000-49,999): 5—Downtown, 6—Neighborhood, 7—Suburban; Large City (50,000 or more): 8—Downtown, 9—Neighborhood, 0—Suburban												
Abee's Chapel	Buren Hastings, Box 157, Valdese 28690	Burke	1886	1	x		5	14	11	282	84	366	0	0	40000	110000	0
Berea	Gwyn P. Sullivan, Rt. 2, Box 1098, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1947	1	x		8	5	30	356	25	381	0	0	32000	192000	57418
Beulah		Burke	1905	1	x		0	0	1	48	101	149	0	0		60000	0
Carswell Memorial	Ned Perkins, Rt. 12, Box 94, Morganton 28655	Burke	1938	1	x		0	9	11	116	6	122	0	1		85000	0
Corinth	Cecil Buff, Box 576, Lawndale 28090	Cleve.	1884	1		x	3	5	2	284	33	317	0	0		105000	0
Drowning Creek	Norris Brittain, Rt. 3, Box 526, Conn. Spr. 28612	Burke	1952	1	x		6	19	3	44	26	70	0	0		35000	0
Faith Olive	Berry LaFone, Rt. 2, Box 109, Hickory 28601	Catawba	1965	2	x		7	8	0	84	27	111	0	0		40000	1500
Grace and Truth		Burke	1955	1	x		0	8	8	18	22	40	0	0		10000	3686
Hildebran View	Stanley T. Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273A, Conn. Spr. 28612	Burke	1946	1		x	0	0	0	26	39	65	0	0			0
Hoyle Memorial	R. A. Brackett, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	Cleve.	1968	1	x		0	2	4	20	8	28	0	0		12800	0
Laurel Haven	Clyde Houston, Box 3, Icard 28666	Burke	1971	1	x		1	1	0	24	4	28	1	0		8000	0
Midway	Lex Wright, Rt. 8, Box 646, Hickory 28601	Burke	1956	1	x		0	0	2	129	6	135	0	0		65000	0
Mt. Calvary	Darrell Miller, Box 5504, Whitnel 28642	Burke	1952	1	x		0	0	18	108	0	108	0	0		40000	0
Mt. Gilead	Ottis Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Burke	1830	1		x	5	3	0	120	48	168	0	0		20500	0
Mt. Hebron	Jimmy Cox, Rt. 3, Box 702, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1870	1	x		16	7	15	260	82	342	0	0	8000	43000	0
Mt. Vernon	Jerry Bryant, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	Lincoln	1840	1	x		8	12	2	255	89	344	0	1	20000	220000	0
Mt. Zion	Z. W. Settlemyer, Box 296, Cherryville 28021	Cleve.	1848	1		x	0	0	5	48	130	178	1	2		22000	0
Mull's Chapel	Steve Harden, Rt. 1, Box 270, Conn. Spr. 28612	Catawba	1871	1	x		0	3	0	100	25	125	0	0	30000	100000	0
Oak Ridge	Edsel Mull, Rt. 2, Box 1040, Conn. Spr. 28612	Burke	1943	1	x		5	4	7	217	115	332	1	0	35000	185000	0
Olive Grove	Robert L. Beck, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleve.	1884	1		x	3	1	5	201	74	275	0	0	25000	60000	0
Philadelphia	W. E. Keller, Rt. 7, Box 409, Hickory 28601	Burke	1952	1		x	1	3	5	75	43	118	0	0		60000	0
Pisgah	Joe R. Edwards, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleve.	1840	1		x	5	6	1	178	28	206	0	0	45000	200000	0
Pleasant Grove	John H. Smart, Rt. 1, Box 347, Connelly Spr. 28612	Burke	1876	1		x	12	3	5	130	15	145	0	0		62000	0
St. John's	James Bumgarenr, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1842	1	x		13	3	12	187	10	197	0	0	35000	100000	0
St. Paul		Cleve.	1860	1		x	3	1	15	268	156	424	0	1	34000	150000	7766
Shoup's Grove	R. Harold Ashe, Box 240, Icard 28666	Burke	1892	1	x		8	2	11	264	39	303	0	3	25000	125000	14000
Smart's Grove	Larry Teague, Rt. 3, Box 855, Connelly Spr. 28612	Burke	1935	1	x		14	14	6	91	55	146	0	0	45000	65000	0
South Fork	Ray Woody, Rt. 4, Box 777K, Hickory 28601	Burke	1937	1	x		8	4	12	155	20	175	0	0	18000	148000	49192
Tabernacle	John Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleve.	1970	1	x		0	0	2	42	0	42	0	0		15000	0
Walker's Chapel	Harold Kanupp, Rt. 3, Box 888, Conn. Spr. 28612	Burke	1915	1		x	0	5	6	108	0	108	0	0		18500	0
Wilkie's Grove	Ralph Staton, Rt. 4, Box 470, Hickory 28601	Burke	1896	1	x		9	6	2	249	39	288	0	0	25000	200000	28700
Zion Hill	Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	Cleve.	1859	1		x	10	1	2	281	53	334	0	0	25000	100000	0
Zoar	A. R. Bumgarner, Rt. 3, Box 200, Bristo., TN 37620	Cleve.	1937	1	x		5	0	60	50	0	50	0	0		70000	0
	TOTALS				22	11	155	149	263	4818	1402	6220	3	5	442000	3695300	162262

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL 1976

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Sunday School Director: FRED SAIN

Address: Rt. 1 City: Connelly Springs State: North Carolina Zip: 28612

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	54 Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	57 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	58 Young Adult enrolment Single (18-29 years or H. S. graduation through 29 years)	59 Young Adult enrolment Married (18-29 years or H. S. graduation through 29 years)	60 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	61 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	62 Adults Away enrolment	63 Homebound enrolment	64 General officers enrolment	65 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	66 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	67 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	68 Number of Bible Study groups	69 Bible Study groups enrolment	70 Weekday Bible Study enrolment	71 Church V. B. S. enrolment	72 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	73 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourglea, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 358 C, Connelly Sp. 28612	7	22	27	52	10	26	52	61	0	0	20	0	277	239	0	0	0	0	0	0
Berea	Charlie Townsend, Rt. 3, Box 506, Connelly Springs 28612	0	42	50	56	11	53	55	14	2	0	5	0	288	136	0	0	0	81	0	81
Beulah	Evan Rhoney, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	0	9	10	10	5	19	18	19	0	0	2	0	92	72	0	0	0	72	0	72
Carswell Memorial	Henry Carswell, Rt. 11, Box 477B, Morganton 28655	0	10	7	18	8	15	30	14	0	0	3	0	105	62	0	0	0	40	0	40
Corinth	Bobby Downs, Rt. 1, Box 158, Casar 28020	12	30	26	56	18	40	20	52	0	0	2	0	256	157	0	0	0	100	0	100
Drowning Creek	Olan Crafton, Box 127, Hickory St., Rhodhiss 28667	2	7	13	17	18	0	0	27	0	0	3	0	87	45	0	0	0	86	0	86
Faith Olive	Grady C. Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	0	24	18	16	6	8	15	4	0	0	0	0	91	64	2	31	2	72	0	72
Grace and Truth	John H. Willis, Rt. 4, Box 506, Hickory 28601	0	3	6	3	2	5	11	2	0	0	0	0	32	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hildebran View	Keith T. Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273, Connelly Sp. 28612	0	0	7	8	12	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	57	45	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoyle Memorial	Robert Hoyle, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	1	3	3	5	2	3	6	2	0	0	0	0	25	25	0	0	0	49	0	49
Laurel Haven	Jerry Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Box 409L, Morganton 28655	0	1	1	2	5	4	8	5	0	0	2	0	28	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midway	Ted Miller, Box 221, Hildebran 28637	0	4	12	15	10	19	10	6	0	0	4	0	80	48	0	0	0	62	0	62
Mt. Calvary	Arthur Franklin, Rt. 3, Box 774, Connelly Springs 28612	0	11	5	25	9	5	17	3	0	0	0	0	75	50	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mt. Gilead	Walter Smith, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	5	7	12	16	16	20	10	14	12	1	7	0	120	85	0	0	0	55	0	55
Mt. Hebron	Maynard Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 639, Connelly Springs 38612	3	37	54	30	9	0	39	35	0	5	4	0	216	146	0	0	0	132	0	132
Mt. Vernon	Arnold Sain, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	0	15	20	23	9	12	75	17	2	8	5	0	186	130	1	16	0	85	0	85
Mt. Zion	Buland Short, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	7	5	3	0	0	8	10	0	1	0	0	34	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mull's Chapel	Earnest Rhoney, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	7	12	21	9	22	8	0	0	0	0	0	79	60	0	0	0	65	0	65
Oak Ridge	Commodore Enloe, Box 7, Hildebran 28637	0	46	69	68	0	33	68	17	0	0	4	0	305	189	0	0	0	142	0	142
Olive Grove	Hazel Walker, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	15	26	27	13	44	29	0	0	0	3	0	157	113	0	0	0	85	0	85
Philadelphia	Edsel Shuford, 3720 10th Ave., S. W., Hickory 28601	0	11	11	11	2	4	21	5	0	0	5	0	70	55	0	0	0	58	0	58
Pisgah	Clamon Parker, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	7	15	16	29	14	8	15	12	0	0	4	0	120	85	0	0	0	90	0	90
Pleasant Grove	David W. Denton, Rt. 4, Box 321, Morganton 28655	0	12	22	22	3	19	38	10	0	0	0	0	126	90	1	30	0	52	0	52
St. John's	Donald Hoyle, Rt. 8, Box 444, Hickory 28601	5	18	20	26	5	29	50	6	0	0	0	0	159	135	0	0	0	83	0	83
St. Paul	Max Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	4	24	28	26	0	18	46	24	0	0	6	0	176	119	0	0	0	82	0	82
Shoup's Grove	Tony Kiser, Box 89, Icard 28666	0	33	41	35	28	33	30	20	0	0	9	0	229	111	0	0	0	128	0	128
Smart's Grove	Larry Mace, Rt. 1, Box 110B, Connelly Sp. 28612	0	29	12	12	8	20	45	12	0	0	0	0	138	92	0	0	0	89	0	89
South Fork	Neil Abernathy, Rt. 4, Box 790, Hickory 28601	5	22	34	7	10	14	21	0	0	0	7	0	120	112	1	7	0	144	0	144
Tabernacle	Paul Navey, Rt. 5, Shelby 28150	0	1	11	9	3	3	13	2	0	0	0	0	42	34	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walker's Chapel	Shub Carswell, Rt. 4, Box 359C, Morganton 28655	2	4	17	24	6	27	21	8	0	0	0	0	109	67	0	0	0	40	0	40
Wilkie's Grove	Donald Brittain, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	38	50	30	18	22	86	21	0	0	5	0	270	167	0	0	0	93	0	93
Zion Hill	Warren Yancey, Rt. 3, Box 250, Lawndale 28090	11	24	27	60	15	10	50	67	0	0	4	0	268	175	0	0	0	75	0	75
Zoar	Phillip Lail, Rt. 3, Box 27, Lawndale 28090	1	6	0	4	0	20	12	0	0	0	5	0	48	40	0	0	0	50	0	50
	TOTALS	65	537	672	766	284	555	957	489	16	15	109	0	4465	3006	5	84	2	2110	0	2110

TABLE C TRAINING UNION 1976

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Training Union Director: ROBERT BERRY

Address: Rt. 2, Box 955-V4 City: Connelly Springs State: North Carolina Zip: 28612

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	74 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	75 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	76 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	77 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	78 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	79 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	80 General officers enrolment	81 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	82 Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	83 New Member Registration: Children	84 New Member Registration: Youth	85 New Member Registration: Adult	86 Church Leader Training Registration	87 Short Term Member Training Project Registration	88 Average weekly Church Training attendance
Berea	Robert Berry, Rt. 2, Box 955V4, Connelly Spr. 28612	24	19	25	11	31	0	2	0	112	0	0	0	11	0	77
Beulah	Linda Peeler, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	2	3	5	0	10	0	1	0	21	0	0	0	0	0	17
Carswell Memorial	Fred Butler, Rt. 11, Box 477, Morganton 28655	2	5	6	9	17	4	2	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	26
Midway	Phyllis Weaver, Rt. 2, Box 637, Connelly Spr. 28612															
Mt. Hebron	Philip Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 622, Connelly Springs 28612	11	32	26	0	35	8	1	0	113	18	14	15	0	0	70
Mt. Vernon	Dale Wise, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	3	18	8	10	25	0	2	0	66	0	0	0	0	0	41
Oak Ridge		9	21	27	22	11	7	2	0	99	0	0	0	0	0	50
Pisgah	Joe R. Edwards, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	3	5	15	7	14	2	3	0	49	8	2	8	15	0	79
St. Paul	Bentha Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	6	10	21	8	20	1	3	0	69	0	1	5	7	0	37
Shoup's Grove	Dale Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory 28601	3	16	16	0	34	0	2	0	71	0	0	0	0	0	40
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Frances Melton, Rt. 8, Box 308, Hickory 28601	11	18	23	20	13	0	3	0	88	0	0	0	0	0	33
Zion Hill	Dale Sain, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	10	6	16	12	15	5	2	0	66	0	0	0	0	0	54
	TOTALS	84	153	188	99	225	27	23	0	799	26	17	28	33	0	524

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC 1976		89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN State: NORTH CAROLINA Associational Music Director: KENNETH F. SAIN Address: Rt. 2 City: Vale State: North Carolina Zip: 28168		Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Handbell ringers enrolment	Vocal ensembles enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General music leaders enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrolment
CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES												
Abee's Chapel	Ronder Crawford, Rt. 1, Box 42, Valdese 28690	10	15	20	35	0	0	0	8	0	88	70	0
Berea	Robert Berry, Rt. 2, Box 955V4, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	8	15	18	0	0	0	4	0	45	35	0
Beulah	Brenda Whistnant, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	0	0	7	10	0	0	0	0	0	17	10	0
Carswell Memorial	Rick Sain, Rt. 3, Box 180A, Vale 28168	0	2	3	15	0	0	0	2	0	22	15	0
Corinth	Donald McNeilly, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	9	10	20	0	0	0	0	0	39	0	0
Drowning Creek	Bill Boughman, Rt. 4, Box 739, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Faith Olive	Geraldine Hudspeth, Rt. 8, Box 453, Hickory 28601	0	8	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	24	24	0
Grace and Truth	Susan Bell, Rt. 4, Box 506, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hildebran View	Mrs. Henry L. Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 273A, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoyle Memorial	Pauline Mellon, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Haven	Mrs. Lear Hoyle, Rt. 4, Box 409X, Morganton 28655		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midway	Dorothy Beaver, Rt. 7, Box 5, Hickory 28601	3	0	5	12	0	0	0	2	0	22	15	0
Mt. Calvary	Gail Franklin, Rt. 3, Box 774, Connelly Spr. 28612	9	5	25	13	0	0	0	2	0	54	30	0
Mt. Gilead	Ruthie Parker, Rt. 1, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mt. Hebron	Harry Mull, Rt. 4, Box 829, Hickory 28601	0	25	15	23	0	0	0	2	0	65	55	0
Mt. Vernon	Omar Hoyle, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	0	9	10	20	0	6	0	2	0	47	24	0
Mt. Zion		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mull's Chapel	Della Hudson, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oak Ridge	Terry R. Childers, Rt. 3, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	2	0	24	15	0
Olive Grove	Daphene McNeilly, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	4	4	12	11	0	0	0	2	0	33	33	0
Philadelphia	Alvin Brittain, 1011 30th St., S. W., Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pisgah	Mrs. Robert Beam, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	6	10	13	0	0	0	2	0	31	31	0
Pleasant Grove	Hubert H. Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 318, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. John's	Betty Huffman, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Paul	Claude Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	3	15	25	0	0	4	3	0	50	28	0
Shoup's Grove	Callie Townsend, Box 792, Hildebran 28637	0	4	15	15	0	0	2	2	0	38	32	0
Smart's Grove	Alberta Crawley, Rt. 6, Box 298, Morganton 28655	0	10	15	25	0	0	0	0	0	50	35	0
South Fork	Wesley Woody, Rt. 4, Box 777K, Hickory 28601	0	0	7	18	0	0	0	0	0	25	25	0
Tabernacle	Mae Tessneer, Rt. 1, Box 278, Vale 28168	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	2	0	13	13	0
Walker's Chapel	J. C. Bradley, Rt. 4, Box 422-10, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilkie's Grove	Jill Young, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	20	0	25	0	0	2	2	0	49	21	0
Zion Hill	Kenneth F. Sain, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	0	6	12	14	0	0	0	3	0	35	25	0
Zoar	Jim Mauney, Box 1664, Shelby 28150	0	0	5	6	0	0	0	2	0	13	12	0
	TOTALS	26	134	218	350	0	6	8	42	0	784	548	0

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION 1976

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational WMU Director: MRS. JESSE FORTENBERRY
Address: Box 751 City: Hickory State: North Carolina Zip: 28601

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
		Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total WMU ongoing enrolment
Abee's Chapel	Mildred Crawford, Rt. 1, Box 42, Valdese 28690	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	8	8	10	8	15	5	0	54
Berea		1	0	0	0	1	0	2	6	0	0	0	11	2	0	19
Beulah	Molene Benfield, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	12	0	14	2	0	28
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Fred Butler, Rt. 11, Box 477, Morganton 28655	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	2	0	5	0	9	2	0	18
Corinth	Ethel Downs, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	4	0	15
Midway	Myra White, Rt. 2, Box 596, Connelly Springs 28612	0	1	1	0	1	4	7	0	6	5	0	12	6	29	58
Mt. Gilead	Barbara Smith, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	9	3	0	12
Mt. Hebron	Susan Cox, Rt. 3, Box 702, Connelly Springs 28612	2	2	1	1	1	0	7	15	18	12	10	10	5	0	70
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Howard Wise, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	3	9	8	0	24	7	0	51
Oak Ridge		1	1	1	1	1	0	5	9	17	10	7	8	0	0	51
Pisgah	Mrs. Don Elliott, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	8	0	18	0	6	2	0	34
St. John's	Brenda Hinegardner, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	22
St. Paul	Lussie Willis, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	8	8	0	9	6	0	31
Shoup's Grove	Selma Ledford, 12-28th St. N. W., Hickory 28601	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	3	8	12	0	20	3	0	46
South Fork		0	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	30	6	0	0	0	0	36
Wilkie's Grove	Lana Smith, Rt. 8, Hickory 28601	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	3	9	2	12	9	3	0	38
Zion Hill	Mrs. Alvin Cook, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	10	12	0	15	5	0	42
	TOTALS	10	12	13	5	15	4	59	57	123	120	37	204	55	29	625

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD 1976

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Brotherhood Director: JOE GOFORTH
Address: Rt. 1 City: Casar State: N. C. Zip: 28020

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	116 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	117 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	118 RA director and committee	119 Baptist Men enrolment (18 and over)	120 Other Baptist Men Groups	121 Brotherhood director and Other Brotherhood General Officers	122 Enrolment of Mission (s) of Church	123 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment	124 Other Boys involved in Mission activities	125 Miscellaneous Baptist Men
Abee's Chapel	Nick Reed, Rt. 1, Box 356, Connelly Springs 28612	10	12	0	0	23	0	0	45	0	0
Berea		3	13	0	13	12	1	0	42	0	0
Carswell Memorial	David Lewis, Rt. 11, Box 477A, Morganton 28655	3	2	0	8	0	0	0	13	0	0
Faith Olive		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0
Mt. Hebron	Dennis Wright, Box 351, Icard 28666	20	10	5	14	0	1	0	50	0	0
Mt. Vernon	Ford Houser, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	9	9	4	17	0	0	0	39	0	0
Oak Ridge		10	18	0	18	0	0	0	46	0	0
Pisgah	J. C. Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	14	8	2	0	0	0	0	24	0	0
St. Paul	Joe Goforth, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	6	13	3	38	0	3	0	63	0	0
Shoup's Grove	Wayne Collins, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	5	4	2	9	15	1	0	36	0	0
South Fork	Wayne Propst, 6 Litton Street, Valdese 28690	9	5	4	0	0	0	0	18	0	0
Wilkie's Grove		6	0	3	0	0	0	0	9	0	0
Zion Hill	Clarence Sailors, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28690	6	8	2	10	6	2	0	34	0	0
	TOTALS	101	102	25	127	56	8	0	419	18	0

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP 1976

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Treasurer: MISS DORIS UPTON
Address: Rt. 2, Box 308 City: Vale State: North Carolina Zip: 28168

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES	21 Number of tithers	22 Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	23 Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	27 Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year. Simplified	Stewardship Revival	Committed to Tithe	Forward Program	Alt. Forward Program	None	126 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	127 All other receipts	128 Total receipts	129 Money borrowed during the year	130 Church staff salaries	131 Money paid out on new construction during the year	132 Debt retirement during the year	133 Church literature	134 All other local expenditures	135 Total local expenditures
Abee's Chapel	Ulen Lowman, Box 27, Vaidese 28690	100	0	0						x	61097		61097	0	8410	7803	0	637	2972	19822
Berea	Russell Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 259, Valdese 28690	60	15	2			x				55299	489	55788	0	12536	8468	9248	5139	20398	55789
Beulah	Mrs. Terri Rudisill, 31 Elizabeth Ave., Hickory 28601	13	2	1						x	8730	825	9555	0	4740	0	0	494	3800	9034
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Wesby Carswell, Rt. 4, Box 304, Morganton 28655	15	0	0						x	16993		16993	0	9116	11230	0	450	1985	22781
Corinth	Mrs. Jeanette Allen, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	26	0	0						x	30424		30424	0	12990	0	0	1107	9716	23813
Drowning Creek	Mrs. Katherine Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory 28601	10	0	0						x	5012		5012	0	500	500	0	185	2077	3262
Faith Olive	Mrs. Gladys Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	18	0	0						x	8053	1760	9813	0	4120	0	590	478	1656	6844
Grace and Truth	Willie VanHorn, Sr. Rt. 7, Box 574A, Hickory 28601	8	0	0						x	1794		1794	4000	1005	3766	314	0	381	5466
Hildebran View	Mrs. Stanley T. Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273, Connelly Spgs. 28612	0	0	0						x	2134	1241	3375	0	1550	949	0	0	488	2987
Hoyle Memorial	Mrs. R. A. Brackett, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	4	0	0						x	2560		2560	0	310	517	0	104	929	1860
Laurel Haven	Mrs. Mary Callendar, Box 404, Rutherford Col. 28671	5	0	0						x	4918	20	4938	0	1300	2023	0	78	900	4301
Midway	Joseph Beaver, Rt. 7, Box 5, Hickory 28601	21	0	0						x	9225		9225	0	6374	2421	0	194	1103	10092
Mt. Calvary	Mrs. Nellie Franklin, Rt. 3, Box 774, Conn. Sp. 28612	20	0	0						x	15043		15043	0	3825	6000	0	326	842	10993
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Carrie Buff, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	1	0	0						x	8701		8701	0	2214	0	0	134	798	3146
Mt. Hebron	Dottie Lowman, Rt. 3, Box 692, Conn, Sp. 28612	70	10	$10W	x						46889	7412	54301	0	8434	1753	0	3976	13824	27987
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Nancy Hendrick, 1204 Westgate Dr., Cherryville 28021	28	15	5						x	36390		36390	0	10285	5712	0	1675	8211	25883
Mt. Zion	Patty Downs, Rt. 1, Casar 29020	4	6	2				x			3986	257	4243	0	2148	0	0	150	1063	3361
Mull's Chapel	Katherine Young, Rt. 1, Box 270, Conn. Sp. 28612	5	0	0						x	15672	30	15702	0	6818	968	290	439	6584	15099
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Eugene Sherill, Box, Valdese 28690	50	8	2						x	41667	0	41667	0	8585	0	3048	2297	14047	27977
Olive Grove	Mrs. Kathy Lemmon, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	16	0	0						x	25384	346	25730	0	7965	0	0	334	4336	12635
Philadelphia	Mrs. Helen Lowman, Rt. 1, Connelly Sp. 28612	22	0	2						x	11663	352	12015	0	7258	0	0	347	2431	10036
Pisgah	Mrs. Troy Warlick, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	20	10	6						x	27204	283	27487	12500	10504	18709	2128	832	6000	38173
Pleasant Grove	Hubert H. Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 318, Morganton 28655	10	0	0						x	11325		11325	0	1440	6630	0	391	3997	12458
St. John's	Gerald Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 276B, Connelly Sp. 28612	22	0	0						x	23946		23946	0	10055	0	0	654	0	10709
St. Paul	Alvin Cook, Rt. 2, Lawndale 28090	20	0	0						x	28121	0	28121	0	10345	2500	8825	1435	4893	27998
Shoup's Grove	Mrs. Maggie Huffman, Box 321 Hildebran 28637	56	0	0						x	39563	0	39563	0	9948	0	10017	1196	12532	33693
Smart's Grove	Mabel Lowman, Rt. 3, Box 896, Conn. Sp. 28612	50	0	0	x						26509	0	26509	0	6690	0	0	369	17232	24291
South Fork	Marie Eckard, Rt. 4, Box 792B, Hickory 28601	58	9	3						x	33264	0	33264	50000	9222	59304	3042	793	10909	83270
Tabernacle	Nell Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	4	0	0						x	2039	0	2039	0	814	0	0	110	306	1230
Walker's Chapel	Gene Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 374,Morganton 28655	20	0	0						x	19186	0	19186	0	4255	0	0	214	779	5248
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Dolly Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	45	10.5	5						x	48281	0	48281	2500	15021	0	5720	2160	19854	42755
Zion Hill	Mrs. Linda B. Cook, Rt. 2, Box 221, Lawndale 28090	40	7	3	x						33627	0	33627	0	14090	0	0	881	3650	18621
Zoar	Phillip A. Lail, Rt. 3, Box 27, Lawndale 28090	20	0	0						x										
	TOTALS	855			3	0	1	1	0	28	704699	13015	717714	69000	212867	139253	43222	27579	178693	601614

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES 1976

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Director of Associational Missions: REV. HAROLD B. DELLIMGER
Address: Rt. 1, Box 305 City: Shelby State: North Carolina Zip: 28050

136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150
Church Sponsored Missions				OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC For. Mis. (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated SBC Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: SBC Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: SBC Hospitals	Designated: SBC Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temp. League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES															
Abee's Chapel	Ivey Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 60Z, Valdese 28690	22000	24300	46300	0	175	50	338	1836	0	100	150	100	0	2749	49049
Berea	Mrs. Harold Cantrell, Rt. 3, Box 127A, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	7225	1443	200	484	1213	51	41	41	22	201	3696	10921
Beulah	Peggie Houser, Rt. 1, Box 126B, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	384	120	0	0	40	0	0	35	0	0	195	579
Carswell Memorial	Sarah Carswell, Rt. 11, Box 469, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	146	150	61	160	595	0	103	87	30	41	1227	1373
Corinth	Mrs. Patricia Bowen, Rt. 1, Box 13, Al Casar 28020	0	0	0	705	380	293	437	1614	129	459	376	0	1074	4762	5467
Drowning Creek	Mrs. Dorothy Munday, Rt. 3, Box 525, Conn. Sp. 28612	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	73	0	85	0	158	181
Faith Olive	Mrs. Gladys Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	85	0	0	0	16	0	27	0	27	281	351	436
Grace and Truth	Mrs. Brenda Willis, Rt. 4, Box 509, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hildebran View	Mrs. Henry L. Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 273A, Conn. Sp. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	0	0	75	75
Hoyle Memorial	Vasco Price, Rt. 3, Box 275, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	0	35	35
Laurel Haven	Mrs. Myra Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Box 409L, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	39	86	0	0	156	0	20	24	22	0	308	347
Midway	Mrs. Connie Wright, Rt. 2, Box 595B, Conn. Sp. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	50
Mt. Calvary	Nancy Franklin, Rt. 3, Box 774, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	25	25	0	75	75
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Iva Rhoney, Rt. 1, Box 221B, Conn Sp. 28612	0	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	0	35	50	0	0	85	125
Mt. Hebron	Shirley Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 639, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	5087	520	0	1029	1277	0	0	0	14	3264	6104	11191
Mt. Vernon	Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale 28168	0	0	0	4043	1424	25	224	1906	0	151	40	89	100	3959	8002
Mt. Zion	Sam Proctor, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	200	65	25	0	0	0	15	15	15	0	135	335
Mull's Chapel	Clyde McClurd, 813 Rostan St., Valdese 28690	0	0	0	30	50	0	0	0	0	50	50	50	50	250	280
Oak Ridge	Sharon R. Wycoff, Rt. 2, Box 329, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	3400	650	150	540	1959	0	125	150	230	1900	5704	9104
Olive Grove	Mrs. Howard Walker, Rt.1, Box 212, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	63	35	0	92	240	240
Philadelphia	Mrs. Sadie Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 128B, Conn Spr. 28612	0	0	0	106	223	0	0	100	0	25	54	25	0	427	533
Pisgah	Mrs. Austin Pruett, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	1762	100	35	189	264	2	5	0	15	968	1578	3340
Pleasant Grove	Carl W. Powell, Rt. 4, Box 312A, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	121	0	240	411	411
St. John's	Lillie Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 129A, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	100	0	75	229	0	0	300	0	240	944	944
St. Paul	Worth Willis, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	184	184	400	0	0	220	312	0	0	220	0	0	752	1336
Shoup's Grove	Mrs. Jane Paige, Rt. 4, Box 812A, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	900	260	48	120	1000	0	70	0	213	617	2328	3228
Smart's Grove	Alberta Crawley, Rt. 6, Box 298, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	100	100
South Fork	Audrey W. Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 767, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	2524	986	0	3	136	0	93	0	0	0	1218	3742
Tabernacle	Mae Tessneer, Rt. 1, Box 228, Vale 28168	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	20	0	20	0	60	60
Walker's Chapel	Mrs. Ruth Keller, Rt. 1, Box 223C, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	465	515	515
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Pearl Chapman, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	5125	2328	65	415	1180	45	142	150	106	0	4431	9556
Zion Hill	Mrs. Alvin Cook, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	0	0	0	2084	885	20	0	658	3	69	66	48	382	2131	4215
Zoar	Phillip A. Lail, Rt. 3, Box 27, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	15
	TOTALS	22000	24484	46484	34308	10030	972	4234	14541	230	1836	2174	1136	9915	45068	125860

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION 1976

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Moderator: REV. GWYN SULLIVAN
Address: Rt. 2, Box 1089 City: Connelly Springs State: North Carolina Zip: 28612

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES	28 No. church-type missions started during the year	29 No. church-type missions currently operating	30 No. other-type missions started during the year	31 No. other-type missions currently operating	32 Christian Day School enrolment	33 Highest grade level in Christian Day School	34 Number of Mission Sunday Schools	35 Bus Attendance	36 Number of college students enrolled in Sunday School	37 Mentally retarded/deaf enrolment in Sunday School	38 Number of revivals	Does church have, observe, plan, use, etc.? Y=Yes N=No: 39 Doctrinal Emphasis Wk	40 Mai new bldg. or remodeling proj. within the yr	41 Church—The Sunday night place	42 Pastor have employment apart from the church	43 Both black & white members	44 Graded worship services	45 Christian Home Week	46 Missions Committee	47 16 mm film projector	48 Cable TV ministry	49 BSSB VBS materials	50 Cooperative Program Sunday	51 Youth Week	52 RA Week	53 State paper in budget
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourglea, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 358C, Conn. Sp. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y
Berea	Robert Berry, Rt. 2, Box 955V4, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	3	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Beulah	L. E. Willis, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Carswell Memorial	James B. Smith, Rt. 4, Box 266L, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Corinth	J. L. Newton, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Drowning Creek	Grover Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	1	0	2	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Faith Olive	Grady C. Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
Grace and Truth	John H. Willis, Rt. 4, Box 506, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Hildebran View	Haywood Hoyle, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Hoyle Memorial	Vasco Price, Rt. 3, Box 275, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Laurel Haven	Jerry Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Box 409L, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N
Midway	Joseph Beaver, Rt. 7, Box 5, Hickory 28601	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
Mt. Calvary	Paul Carswell, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mt. Gilead	Ronald Rhoney, Rt. 1, Box 221B, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N
Mt. Hebron	Auby Burns, Rt. 3, Box 788, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Mt. Vernon	Paul Leatherman, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	2	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N
Mt. Zion		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	N	N	N		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mull's Chapel	Lester Rhoney, Rt. 1, Box 147, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Oak Rodge	Dennis Seagle, Rt. 2, Raintree Develop., Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	1	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y
Olive Grove	Mr. Hazel Walker, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
Philadelphia	Alvin Brittain, 1011 30th St. S. W., Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pisgah	Jerald Norman, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y
Pleasant Grove	John H. Williams, 2134 6th St. N. E., Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N
St. John's	Stanley Willis, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
St. Paul	Earl Morrison, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N
Shoup's Grove	Vance Brittain, Icard, 28666	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	3	0	2	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N
Smart's Grove	Larry Harmon, Rt. 4, Box 287, Morganton 28655	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
South Fork	John Munday, 407 26th St. S. W., Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	0	2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Tabernacle	Paul Navey, Rt. 5, Box 252, Shelby 28150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Walker's Chapel	Alex Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 290H, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Wilkie's Grove	Don Brittain, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N
Zion Hill	Warren Yancey, Rt. 3, Box 250, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Zoar	Lester Lail, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
	TOTALS	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	139	20	1	52															

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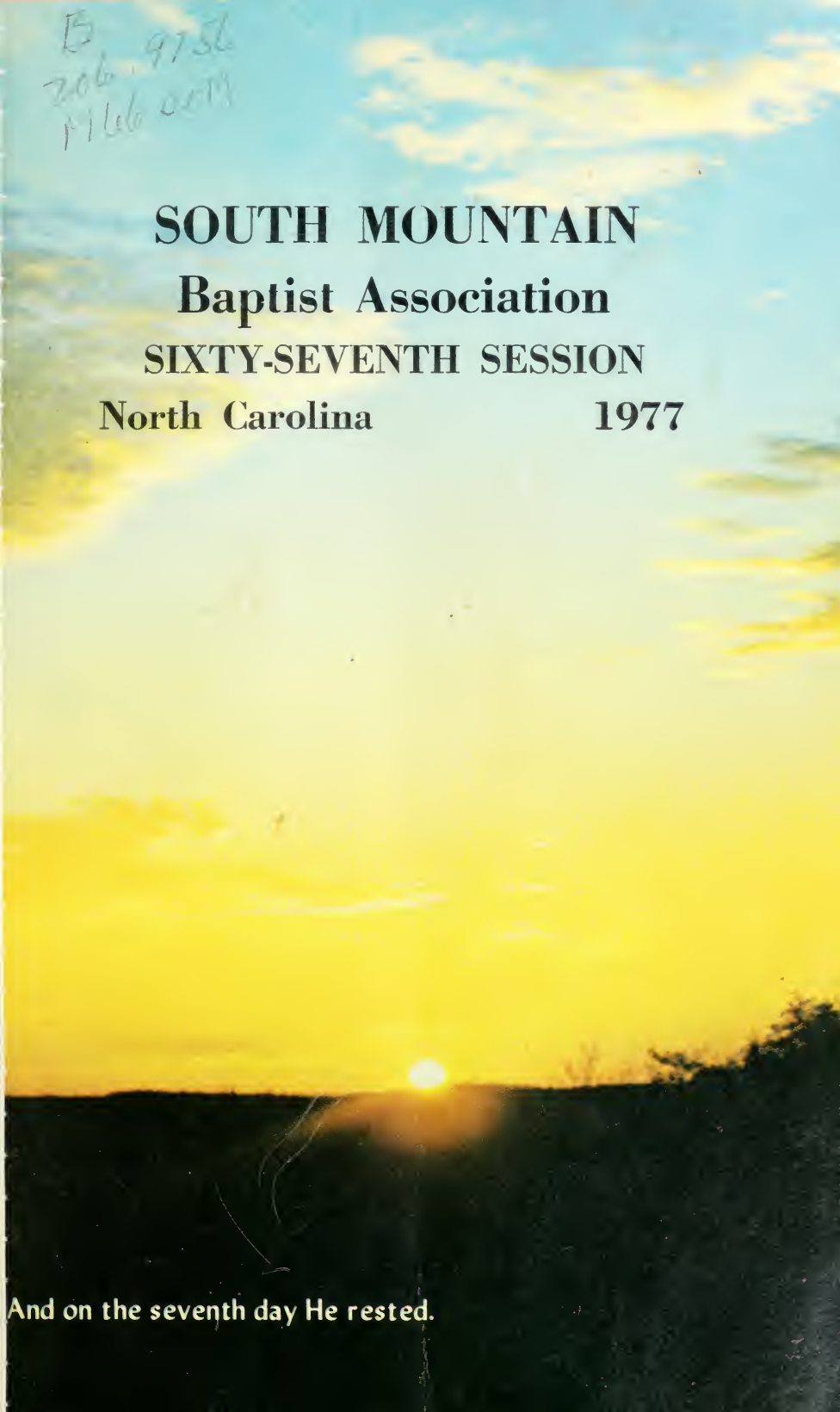

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Rev. Edsel Mull

Licensed and ordained at St. Paul
Graduated from Gardner-Webb College, 1957

Served as Interim Pastor at Icard Baptist Church
Served pastorates at Wilkie's Grove (one year), Mt. Hebron (nine years), Oak Ridge (eleven years)

Member of General Board of Baptist State Convention (three years)
Served as Chairman and member of the following Associational Committees: Missions, Evangelism, Finance, and South Mountain Baptist Camp

While at Oak Ridge, the Children's Department(former sanctuary) was completely remodeled and many improvements were made

Mr. Fred Sain

Former member of Zion Hill and now member of Wilkie's Grove

Served with his wife as House Parents on campus of Mills Home at Thomasville, 1965-1968
Assisted in farm and grounds care and improvement/landscaping at Mills Home

Was Sunday School Superintendent at Wilkie's Grove and served two different tenures as Associational Sunday School Director
Was Choir Director at Zion Hill

Served as Deacon in Mills Home Baptist Church and Wilkie's Grove
Served on South Mountain Baptist Camp Committee
Attended Ridgecrest training Program for four consecutive summers, as well as several special retreats

HOST CHURCHES
SIXTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PISGAH BAPTIST CHURCH

REV. JOE EDWARDS,
PASTOR

The church was first organized in 1840 by a group of 17 Christians worshiping God in a brush arbor. Their beginning was the constitution of the church in stating and adopting seven articles of faith and several rules regulating church government. On August 5, 1840, the first service was held as an organized church. The original churce house was a log building with a progression of weatherboarded buildings up to the present beautiful brick structure. The most recent improvements were made in 1964 in remodeling, renovating, and redecorating. The church and pastorium, located on the original site, are situated in the foothills of the South Mountains surrounded by all the autumn beauty of God's creating. Rev. Joe Edwards currently serves as pastor.

WALKER'S CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

REV. HAROLD KANUPP, PASTOR

Originally known as Roper's meeting house, the present church and membership for over 100 years has undergone an evolution from joint church/school property with an abandoned log house; to a frame building which was destroyed by fire; to a third building built with donations of lumber and labor and called for the first time Walker's Chapel Baptist Church, organized in 1915. The present church, dedicated on May 15, 1977, is a beautiful and modern sanctuary, a tribute to people whose sacrifices and prayers made this truly a place of worship. Timber from the old church was preserved in constructing a cross which hangs in the sanctuary and in the sign which identifies the church. Rev. Harold Kanupp is presently serving as pastor.

Associational Directory

Moderator. . . . . Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, Rt. 2 Box 1089, Connelly Springs, 28612 879-8713

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Sunday School Director Rev. Jerry Bryant, Rt. 4 Box 273, Vale, 28168 276-1744

Church Training Director . . . . . .

Brotherhood Director . . . . . .Joe Goforth, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020 538-9556

WMU Director . . . . . .Mrs. Frances Melton, Rt. 8 Box 308, Hickory, 28601 397-6245

Vacation Bible School Director . . . . . .

Music Director . . . . . Kenneth F. Sain, Rt. 2, Vale, 28168 276-1372

Pianist. . . . . .Mrs. Joe R. Edwards, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020 538-9638

Historian. . . . . Mrs. Edna Mull, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020

Director of Associational Missions . . . Rev. Harold Dellinger, Rt. 1 Box 305, Shelby, 28150 435-5630

Evangelism Chairman. . . . . .Rev. Joe Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020 538-9786

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Berea. . . . . .Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Pisgah . . . . . Rev. Joe R. Edwards
Mt. Vernon . . . . . .Miss Lucille Upton
Mt. Vernon . . . . . .Miss Doris Upton
Mt. Vernon . . . . . Rev. Jerry Bryant
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Mt. Vernon . . . . . Rev. Harold Dellinger
St. Paul . . . . . Rev. Joe Forbes

PASTORS

CHURCH	NAME AND ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Abee's Chapel	Buren Hastings, Box 157, Valdese, 28690	879-8464
Berea	Gwyn Sullivan, Rt. 2 Box 1098, Con.Spg.28612	879-8713
Beulah	Gary Huntsinger, Rt.1 Box 235, Shelby, 28150	435-2319
Carswell Memorial	Ned Perkins, Rt. 12 Box 94, Morganton, 28655	437-6058
Corinth	Cecil Buff, Box 576, Lawndale, 28090	538-8652
Drowning Creek	Norris Brittain, Rt.3 Box 526, Con. Spg.28612	879-9468
Faith Olive	Barry Lafone, Rt. 2 Box 109, Hickory, 28601	256-2045

Grace and Truth		
Hildebran View	S. T. Brittain, Rt.1 Box 273 Conn.Spg. 28612	874-0460
Hoyle Memorial	R. A. Brackett, Rt.3, Lawndale 28090	538-9931
Laurel Haven	Clyde Houston, Box 3, Icard 28666	397-3984
Midway	Lex Wright, Rt.8, Box 646, Hickory	294-4354
Mt. Calvary		
Mt. Gilead	Ottis Cook, Rt. 1, Cason 28020	
Mt. Hebron		
Mt. Vernon	Jerry Bryant, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	735-5744
Mt. Zion	Z. W. Settlemyer, Box 296, Cherryville 28021	435-3133
Mull's Chapel	Steve Harden, Rt. 1, Box 270, Conn. Spg.28612	874-0051
Oak Ridge	Edsel Mull, Rt. 2, Box 1040, Conn.Spgs.28612	874-0528
Olive Grove	Robert L. Beck, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	538-7949
Philadelphia	W. E. Keller, Rt. 2, Box 409, Hickory 28601	328-6424
Pisgah	Joe R. Edwards, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	538-9638
Pleasant Grove	John H. Smart, Rt. 1, Box 347, Conn. Spg.	879-8226
St. John's	James Bumgarner, Rt.1,Conn. Spg.28612	874-0093
St. Paul	Joe Forbes, Rt.1, Casar 28020	538-9786
Shoup's Grove	R. Harold Ashe, Box 240, Icard 28666	397-6914
Smart's Grove		
South Fork	Ray Woody, Rt. 4, Box 777K, Hickory 28601	397-7156
Tabernacle	John Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	538-9769
Walker's Chapel	Harold Kanupp, Rt. 3, Box 888, Conn.Spg.	874-0503
Wilkie's Grove	Ralph Staton, Rt. 4, Box 470, Hickory 28601	397-6967
Zion Hill	Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	538-8551
Zoar		

MESSENGERS

Abee's Chapel---Mr. and Mrs. Gus Gilliland, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Setzer, Rev. and Mrs. Buren Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Lowman, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lowman, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Max Lowman, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Crawford, Mrs. Gurt Barger.

Berea---Charlie Townsend, Brady Burns, Earl Church, Bessie Fredell, Gwendolyn Powell.

Beulah---Mr. and Mrs. Ronell Lindsay, Mrs. Nellie Rudisill, Mrs. Virginia Rhoney, Mrs. Minnie Mull, Mrs. Lecie Benfield, Mrs. Aline Huffman.

Carswell Memorial---Rev. Ned Perkins, Mary Perkins, Henry Carswell, Versie Carswell, Wesby Carswell, Ted Butler, Lucy Smith.

Corinth---Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Early Lail, Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Buff.

Drowning Creek---Rev. Nad Mrs. Norris Brittain, Dorothy Munday, Katherine Patton.

Faith Olive---

Grace and Truth---

Hildebran View---Haywood Hoyle

Hoyle Memorial---Rev. R. A. Brackett, Vasco Price.

Laurel Haven---Jimmy Hoyle, Flavie Houston.

Midway---Mrs. Ray Weaver, Rev. Lex Wright, Mary Wright, Ed. Wright, Rev. Elwood Caulder, Ollie Caulder.

Mt. Gilead---Russell Lail, Shelvia Lail, Carrie Buff, Ronnie Lail.

Mt. Hebron---Nell Brittain, Elizabeth Huffman, Ellis Huffman, Shirley Bradley, Edna Warlick, Peggy Taylor, Auby Burns.

Mt. Vernon---Mrs. Junie Gnatt, Paul Leatherman, D. M. Tallent, Vester Shull, Leroy Lusk, Mrs. Edna Houser, Mrs. Vangie Goodman, Mr and Mrs. Wayne Williams.

Mt. Zion---Mr. and Mrs. Sam Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. Buland Short.

Mull's Chapel---Rev. Steve Harden, Ed Keller, Dwayne Haneline, Ernest Rhoney, Carol Corum, Wayne Corum.
Oak Ridge---Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Childers, Sr.
Olive Grove---Rev. Robert L. Beck, Cleveland Crotts, Mrs. Myrtle Walker, Mrs. Flavie Cook, Mrs. Leonia Hull.
Philadelphia---Rev. W. E. Keller, Alvin Brittain, Edsel Shuford.
Pisgah---Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Devinney, Mr. and Mrs. Paul McDaniel, Rev. and Mrs. Joe Edwards.
Pleasant Grove---Rev. John H. Smart, Roland York, Carl W. Powell.
St. John's---Sam Huffman, James Bumharner, Kay Bumgarner, Betty Huffman, Sylvia Willis.
St. Paul---Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Mead, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Blanton.
Shoup's Grove---Rev. and Mrs. Robert H. Ashe, Eddie Chillcott, Mrs. Virginia Chilcott, Billy Gregg, Wayne Collins.
Smart's Grove---
South Fork---John Munday, Neil Abernathy.
Tabernacle---John Glover, Nell Glover.
Walker's Chapel---Rev. Harold Knaupp, Filo Huffman, Milas Carswell, Shub Carswell, John Carswell.
Wilkie's Grove---Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Staton, Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry, Alice Bradshaw, Mrs. Willie Bradshaw.
Zion Hill---Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Buff, Horace F. Sain, Frank Sain, Edward McCurry, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Yancey, Kenneth Sain, Mrs. Arleen Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cook.
Zoar---Delia Faye Chapman, Vinnie Queen, Jim Mauney.

VISITORS TO THE ASSOCIATION

Rev. Coy C. Privette, North Kannapolis Baptist Church, President of the Baptist State Convention.
Rev. Buddy Freeman, Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs.
Rev. Sam O'Neal, Annuity Board, Baptist State Convention.
Rev. Clyde Barnes, Representative of the Children's Homes of North Carolina.
Eddie Reece, First Assembly, Morganton.

Constitution

Article I - Name and Membership

Section 1. This body shall be known as the South Mountain Baptist Association of North Carolina.

Section 2. The Association shall be composed of messengers from Missionary Baptist Churches.

Section 3. The messengers from any Missionary Baptist Church may be admitted into this Association upon recommendation of the Committee of Petitionary Letters and the Majority vote of members present at any regular meeting.

Section 4. Any church in good fellowship may, at her discretion, withdraw from this body.

Section 5. This Association may at any meeting, after investigation and report of a duly authorized committee of the Association, by a majority vote declare a dissolution of union with any church deemed corrupt, either in doctrine or practice.

Section 6. Any church in this Association, with fifty members or under, may send three messengers, with one additional for each succeeding fifty members or major fraction thereof.

Section 7. At each session of this Association a Moderator, a Vice Moderator, a Clerk, and Treasurer shall be chosen by vote and hold office until their successors are elected. A Moderator shll not be eligible to succeed himself after having served in office for two years.

Section 8. The meetings of the Association shall be held annually beginning on Thursday after the second Sunday of October unless otherwise ordered by the Association or the Executive Committee.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1. The prime purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and to promote unity and growth among the churches composing it.

Section 2. It shall be the purpose of this Association to enlist all of the Churches into full cooperation with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Evangelism, Christian Education and Social Service.

Article III - Powers and Prerogatives

Section 1. The Association, when convened in meeting, shall sit as an advisory council and shll have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the member churches. It may advise, however, with the member churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption or rejection.

Section 2. When grievances occur between any member or minority group of any church which is a member of the Association, the Association, the Executive Committee thereof, or the committee designated by ane acting for either of these bodies, may advise or give aid in manners which do not infringe on the rights of the local church, and this only on the invitation of the individual or group involved.

Section 3. Any church found to be unfaithful to the faith and practices common to the Association shall be encouraged to correct such errors. If the conduct of said church is not corrected and is of such a nature as to alienate said church from the orderly and faithful churches of the Association, the Executive Committee of the Association can recommend that fellowship be withdrawn from said church, and upon a majority vote of the messengers in an annual session, fellowship with such church can be withdrawn.

Section 4. For the mutual benefit of the churches composing this Association, it shall be the duty of each church to forward with messengers a written communication to each annual meeting, specifying the names of messengers, statistics of the church for the foregoing year, giving information concerning its spiritual conditions and stating the names of the pastor and other licentiates or ordained ministers connected with the church.

Article IV - The Executive Committee

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Associational officers and the pastor, and the Chairman of the Deacons along with one elected lay person from each church. Ten members shall constitute a quorum. The names of these persons will be furnished annually to the Associational Clerk. If changes occur during the Associational year, these changes should also be forwarded to the Clerk.

Section 2. At the beginning of each Executive Committee, a roll call will be taken of each church and its representative.

Section 3. The Executive Committee meetings shall be on Tuesday after the second Sunday in January, April, July and Tuesday after the first Sunday in October.

Article V - Officers

Section 1. The officers of this body shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Brotherhood Director, WMU Director, Vacation Bible School Director, R.A. Leader, Music Director, Pianist, Historian, and Evangelism Chairman.

Section 2. The officers of the Association shall be elected at each regular annual meeting of the Association. The Committee on Committees and Nominating Committee shall fill vacancies that may occur in their respective categories between Annual Meetings of the Association by bringing names to the Executive Committee for their approval.

Section 3. By virtue of the office, the Associational Director of Missions is considered an officer of the Association, and shall be considered an ex-officio member of all Associational Committees unless stipulated to the contrary. Election to this office shall be completed by two-thirds majority of the Executive Committee. His time of service shall continue until terminated by the request of the Missionary or by majority vote of the annual meetings or of the Executive Committee, at which time a notice of intent shall be given.

Article VI - Duties of Officers

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association to preside over the annual sessions, special sessions, and at the quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term. He shall appoint in advance of the annual meeting a Committee on Enrollment, Place, Time and Preacher, and Resolutions Committees and any other committees he may deem advisable or necessary. Each of these committees shall report at the annual meeting for which they are appointed.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence or at his request. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Association in regular and special sessions; to keep accurate records of the quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee; to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the Association; to furnish the churches with the blank letter forms on which to make the annual reports to the Association; to superintend the printing of the minutes, and to distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible. For this service he shall be paid annually an amount recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Association. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 4. It shall be duty of the Treasurer to receive all of the funds of the Association and to discurse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purposes for which the funds were contributed. He shall render to the Association an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements at the First session of the Annual Meeting. In his absence a member of the Finance Committee shall give this report. The Treasurer shall make available through the Associational Newsletter a monthly financial report including the contributions of each church in the Association. A quarterly

report shall be made available at the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall be elected annually and for a one year term.

Section 5. The Sunday School Director shall take the initiative in promoting inspirational meetings, study courses, and leadership classes for the churches of the Association; he shall work in cooperation with the demoninational Sunday School Agencies in promoting the denominational program; and he will be responsible for coordinating and promoting Vacation Bible School work in conjunction with the Vacation Bible School Director. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 6. The Church Training Director shall take the initiative in promoting the regular meetings projected by the State and be available to the churches for help in strengthening the established unions and to encourage the organization of new unions in churches within them.

Section 7. The Brotherhood Director shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and be available to the churches to assist in strengthening organizations and programs of existing units. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 8. The WMU Director shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and she shall be available to the churches to assist in promoting and establishing new Baptist Women and Baptist Women Auxiliary units, and shall assist in strengthening the organizations and programs of existing units. She shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 9. The Vacation Bible School Director shall work in conjunction with the Associational Sunday School Director in enlisting and training workers, planning and organizing for the annual Vacation Bible School Clinic. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 10. The Royal Ambassador Leader shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and be available to the churches to assist in establishing new Royal Ambassador units and shall assist in strengthening the organization and programs of existing units. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE ASSOCIATION

1950---S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Clerk; A. V. Ledford, N. S. Hardin, Preachers; Oak Ridge, Corinth, Places.

1951---S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Clerk; Grady Welch, L. A. Miller, Preachers; Icard, Zion Hill, Places.

1952---S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Claude Icard, Clerk; Lamont Mayes, W. H. Flowers, Preachers; Henry River, St. Paul, Places.

1953---S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; B. R. Holbrook, Vice Moderator;.Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk; R. W. Hord, Fred Hicks, Preachers; Bethany,Mt.Vernon, Places.

1954---J. E. Hoffman, Moderator; A. V. Ledford, Vice Moderator; Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk; Forrest Davis, B. R. Holbrook, Preachers; Shoup's Grove, Walker's Chapel, Places.

1955---J. E. Hoffman, Moderator; Ralph Berry, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk; Buren Hastings, J. E. Hoffman, Preachers, Connelly Springs, Pisgah, Places.

1956---Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Julius Hildebran, Ralph Berry, Preachers; St. Paul, Mull's Chapel, Places.

1957---Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Joe Richards, B. H. Cline, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Carswell Memorial, Places.
1958---Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; J. E. Hoffman, Paul Crotts, Preachers; St. John's, Oak Ridge, Places.
1959---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Grady McCurry, Preachers; Berea, Beulah, Places.
1960---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Harold Whitener, Earsel Robinson, Preachers; Midway, Zion Hill, Places.
1961---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; P. G. Sullivan, Harold Whitener, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Shoup's Grove, Places
1962---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Harold Whitener, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; S. M. Stroupe, J. I. Willis, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, Corinth, Places.
1963---Harold Whitener, Moderator; Paul Crotts, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Garland Early, Harvey Harris, Preachers; St. Paul, Pleasant Grove, Places.
1964---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; B. R. Whisnant, Thomas Taylor, Preachers; Mt. Gilead, Olive Grove, Places.
1965---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Floyd Benfield, Jack Johnson, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Pisgah, Places.
1966---Thomas D. Taylor, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J. M. Powell, Jack E. Guffey, Preachers; Drowning Creek, Mull's Chapel, Mt. Calvary, Places.
1967---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J. T. Cline, William Shytle, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Wilkie's Grove, Smart's Grove, Places.
1968---William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Andy Mead, G. C. Wray, Preachers; Berea, Beulah, St. Paul, Places
1969---William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; R. L. Ball, Harold Ashe, Preachers; Oak Ridge, Carswell Memorial, Faith Olive, Places.
1970---J. T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Richard Adams, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Mull's Chapel Places.
1971---J. T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Ronald Martin, Cecil Buff, Preachers; Zion Hill, Corinth, Places.
1972---Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Dennis Whitley, Carrell Pruette, Preachers; Zoar, Abee's Chapel, Places.
1973---Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Raymond Crook, Paul Crotts, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, St. John's, Places.
1974---Raymond Crook, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Kenneth Simpson, Preachers; St. Paul, Shoup's Grove, Places.
1975---Harold Dellinger, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Buren Hastings, Gwyn Sullivan, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Olive Grove, Places.
1976---Harold Ashe, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Cecil Buff, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Berea, Places.
1977---Gwyn Sullivan, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Jerry Bryant, Gary Huntsinger, Preachers; Pisgah, Walker's Chapel, Places.

Proceedings

Sixty-seventh Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association

THEME: LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT

1. Overcast skies had little effect on the spirit of the delegates and visitors as they gathered on October 13th at 4:00 o'clock for the opening

session of the South Mountain Baptist Association. The beauty and reverence inspired by the sanctuary of Pisgah Baptist Church caused a hush to fall over the congregation, as with a light tap of the gavel, Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, the moderator, called the meeting to order.

2. In the absence of both the regular music director and pianist, Rev. Sullivan and Mrs. Joe Edwards led in the opening hymn "Praise Him,Praise Him".

3. The host pastor, Rev. Joe Edwards gave devotional thoughts based upon the Scripture passage 1 Peter 4:7-11. His appropriate comments urged all Christians to exercise self control, alertness, love, and ability to pray and using all that we have and are for the glory of God. He concluded his remarks with prayer.

4. A cordial welcome was extended to all in attendance including our special guests: Buddy Freeman, Sam O'Neal, Coy Privette and Clyde Barnes.

5. The moderator then recognized Lucille Upton, the Associational Clerk, who moved the adoption of the agenda for the meeting as prepared by the program committee and distributed to each person for careful consideration. This recommendation was accepted and became the program to be followed for the meeting.

6. The moderator called attention to free information and brochures and urged messengers to distribute these to their various congregations. He then proceeded to name the committees whose duties would be executed during this Associational meeting:

1. Enrollment Committee
   A. Pisgah Baptist Church: Rev. Joe Edwards, Miriam Warlick, Cathy Oliver, Brenda Hamby, Vickie Pruett.
   B. Walker's Chapel Baptist Church: Rev. Harold Kanupp, Mrs. Guinn Huffman, Miss Pam Huffman.
2. Time, Place, and Preacher Committee:
   Rev. Cecil Buff, Chairman, Mrs. Joe Edwards, Mrs. Ralph Staton
3. Resolutions Committee:
   Rev. Steve Hardin, Chairman; Rev. Gary Huntsinger; Mrs. Thomas Berry

7 Rev. Sullivan informed us of the recent hospitalization of Thomas Berry in Baptist Hospital for tests and observation and urged that we remember him in prayer. The afternoon program centered around the various Baptist Agencies and Institutions. The moderator urged that reports and speakers please conform to the time allotments so as to assure a smoth program sequence.

8. Rev. Joe Edwards moved the adoption of his report on Christian Education. The speaker to this report was Rev. Buddy Freeman of Gardner-Webb College who included all seven Baptist Colleges in his timely and interesting comments. He reported a college enrollment of over 13,000 with graduates numbering about 2000 with some 800 of these going into religious vocations. He emphasized the importance of these college students in the programs of summer missionaries and revival services. He brought for distribution pamphlets on the educational programs of our colleges and issued an invitation to us to visit the various campuses. The report and remarks were favorably accepted by the assembly.

9. After receiving a vote of acceptance for his report on the Baptist Hospital, Rev. Steve Harden expressed appreciation to the churches of the Association for the support given through the Cooperative program and the Mother's Day Offering. Fred Sain, our former Sunday School Director currently a Baptist Hospital patient, enthusiastically endorses and supports wholeheartedly the ministry of our institution of healing.

10. The Baptist Annuity Report was presented by Rev. Edsel Mull who moved for adoption and received a second. He then introduced Rev. Sam O'Neal who spoke on the "Protection Plan for the Church and the Pastor's Family." In his remarks he urged greater participation by all churches and an up-dating of programs already in operation with coverage for both ministers and church staff members. The report was favorably accepted.

11. In presenting his report on Homes for the Aging, Rev. Norris Brittain moved for adoption of the report and received a second. He then reported on the progress of the newest addition in Asherville and his personal visit to the home in Winston-Salem. His enthusiastic endorsement of the ministry of these homes led to a vote of acceptance.

12. In the absence of Fred Sain, by whom the report on Baptist Children's Homes was prepared and submitted, the Moderator moved the adoption and a second was voiced. We then heard with pleasure, Rev. Clyde Morris. As representative of these Homes he gave us information on the ministries performed by these institutions in behalf of children of the state who needed the variety of services provided. He expressed appreciation but urged continued support through the Annual Thanksgiving Offering.

13. The Constitution Committee represented by Rev. Edwards, who spoke in behalf of Rev. Ralph Staton, the chairman, noted that copies of the proposed Constitution were distributed at the registration desk. He asked that these be read carefully and be given prayerful consideration in view of action to be taken on this matter on the second day. He reported that the resignation of Rev. Jimmy Cox, the original chairman, had somewhat delayed the drafting and that the completed part covered only the first six Articles. The entire Constitution will be completed and the remaining part will come up for consideration next year.

14. The report of the Executive Committee was included in the book of reports and upon the presentation and recommendation for adoption by the clerk the messengers gave a vote of approval.

15. During the time allotted for miscellaneous business Rev. Gary Huntsinger presented a proposal sanctioned by the pastor's conference. Speaking in behalf of this group he presented the "recommendation that the South Mountain Baptist Association authorize the establishment of a Seminary Extension Committee to investigate the possibility of forming a permanent Seminary Extension Center in the Association." This committee shall consist of five members and is to be appointed by the moderator of the said Association. The favorable vote by the Assembly will bring up the matter on tomorrow for the naming of the five appointees.

16. The treasurer's report printed in the book of reports gave each person an individual copy for study and consideration. In giving her report, Doris Upton gave figures concerning the balance brought forward plus receipts and disbursements for the year, and the balance on hand. Her offer of a chance to raise questions and clarify entries brought no response and her report was accepted as presented.

17. Delbert Walker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the proposed budget as prepared by him and his fellow members. He moved adoption and asked that each one study the budget carefully and feel free to discuss it, prior to the vote to be taken on the second day.

18. The group then joined in singing the hymn "Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling" with Rev. Sullivan and Mrs. Edwards leading.

19. The highlight of the afternoon session was the State Mission Message brought by Rev. Coy Privette, President of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. He brought greetings from the other 80 associations in the state that he had been privileged to visit. He also expressed appreciation for the cooperation of our churches in the Bold Missions Thrust that had helped to account for the success thus far. He reported that the offering taken on September 18, though not complete, amounted to over $600,000 and showed a 300% increase. The scripture basis for this message was II Kings 6:5-6. This passage recorded the miracle of the floating ax-head. He urged the church to "regain the cutting edge" by exercising the influence for good and letting our strength be felt. He quoted some figures showing strength in membership, church attendance and giving, but chided us for our poor record in winning the lost. His challenge was realistic and inspirational for future effort.

He invited the group to attend the Baptist State Convention to be held this year in Charlotte and informed us of the Foreign Missions Commissioning Service.

20. The moderator expressed appreciation to those who assisted in planning the program and those who prepared and presented reports. He previewed the highlights of the evening service. As a help to the nominating committee, Rev. Sullivan suggested that anyone desiring to serve in any capacity in Associational work make their names available by signing the list fiving address and telephone numbers and indicating the area of interest.

21. The host pastor, Rev. Edwards, was recognized and reported the registration of 94 delegates and 20 visitors. He made the necessary announcements concerning the church hospitality facilities and gave directions for the serving of the evening meal. Special consideration in serving was given to Rev. Sam O'Neal and any pastors or laymen who would be interested in meeting with him during the dinner hour.

22. Despite his recent hospitalization Thomas Berry almost miraculously appeared during the afternoon program and with his benediction and blessing he dismissed the group for an hour of delightful refreshments and Christian fellowship.

Thursday Night

23. A program of worshipful organ music, presented by Mrs. Edwards, set the mood for the evening session as we reassembled in the sanctuary.

24. The Call to order by Rev. Sullivan put the session in progress.

25. The hymn "O Zion Haste" united our hearts and voices as we sang together under the leadership of Rev. Sullivan and Mrs. Edwards.

26. Again a warm welcome was extended to those in attendance, particularly those who had been unable to attend in the afternoon but came for the night session.

27. II Chronicles 7:14 was the scripture verse chosen by Rev. Gary Huntsinger for our devotional thoughts. He cited this verse as a prescription for the healing of our land emphasizing character, condition and cleansing. His prayer concluded our meditation.

28. Rev. Sullivan expressed to the pastor and congregation of Pisgah our appreciation for the evening meal and commended them on their planning and organization.

29. The formal welcome to the host church was expressed by Rev. Edwards, the pastor.

30. Recognition was given to visitors who came to the night session.

31. Rev. Harold Dellinger, the Associational Director of Missions, extended a special welcome to new pastors who had recently come into the Association. Those receiving this recognition were: Rev. Gary Huntsinger at Beulah, Rev. Joe Forbes at St. Paul, Rev. Robert Ford, interim at Zoar.

32. A special and thoroughly enjoyable part of the program was a slide presentation on "Reaching Out Through Associational Missions." Rev. Dellinger made and collected slides of every church in the Association showing both interior and exterior views. These were shown as he made appropriate comments concerning the work of each congregation. This presentation showed the beauty as well as the confort of the places of worship that church members have provided for themselves, and each congregation is to be commended.

33. Upon his move for adoption, the State Missions report as prepared and presented by Leonard Newton was accepted by the delegates.

34. Several pastors were engaged in revival services and could not be present. We regret that some reports were not submitted and will not appear in the minutes.

35. The material included under the Cooperative Program was not a prepared report but the duplication of denominational material which is most informative.

36. Standing together the congregation joined in the singing of the hymn "We've a Story to Tell."

37. The W.M.U. report, as given by Mrs. Jesse Fortenberry, was accepted following her move for adoption. Mrs. Fortenberry having served as Associational Director for nine years is resigning and Mrs. Frances Melton will be assuming leadership of the E.M.U. work. We appreciate the leadership and inspiration given by Mrs. Fortenberry and shall be much in prayer for Mrs. Melton as she assumes her new duties.

38. We were favored by special music presented by Mark Heafner, soloist, accompained by Eddie Reece. His selection was entitled "Because He Lives."

39. A stirring missionary message was delivered by Rev. Jerry Bryant, pastor of Mt. Vernon Baptist Church. Basing his remarks on Scripture found in Isaiah 54:2-3 where we are encouraged to enlarge the place of the tent, to lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes, he inspired us to greater missionary endeavor. He challenged anyone who said they believed the Bible to deny missions. Citing the Great Commission as God's order for mission activity and involvement he reminded us of the sinful condition of man and the urgent needs of Christians praying, giving and being used if the world is to be redeemed.

40. Again the moderator encouraged anyone wishing to volunteer for service as an officer or member of a committee to register indicating their willingness to give of their time and talent in the work of the Association.

41. The registration committee reported and attendance of 100 messengers and 27 visitors.

42. At the entrance of the church Rev. Harold Dellinger had placed a tree depicting the various aspects of the Cooperative Program with the contributions that were made to each part of the program. This visual presentation reminded us of the denominational program and impressed upon us the need for continued support. We are grateful to Rev. Dellinger for this unusual display.

43. The concluding remark for the session was a reminder by the moderator to carefully study the revised constitution and the proposed budget which will be presented for discussion and voting for acceptance. He urged good attendance for the second day and briefly previewed the upcoming program for the second day's sessions.

44. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Harold Dellinger and delegates departed with expressions of gratitude and pleasure for the enjoyable program.

Friday Afternoon

45. Amidst a setting of natural beauty and with pleasant weather, the delegates and visitors assembled in the beautiful sanctuary of the new church building erected by the members of Walker's Chapel for the second day of the annual meeting of the South Mountain Baptist Association. As the gavel sounded quietly Rev. Sullivan declared the meeting in session on Oct. 14, at 4:oo o'clock.

46. With Mrs. Joe Edwards serving as pianist and Rev. Sullivan acting as music director, the group joined in singing the hymn "I Love to Tell the Story."

47. Rev. Harold Kanupp, the host pastor presented the devotional thoughts using verses from Philippians as a basis for his appropriate and thought provoking comments. His prayer concluded the devitional presentation.

48. A welcome was extended by Rev. Sullivan to delegates and visitors and special recognition was given to Woodrow Hill, the Biblical Recorder represntative.

49. The clerk was recognized for the reading of the minutes of the previous sessions. The recording of actions and pending votes were publicized through the minutes.

50. In the absence of Warren Yancey a move to adopt the report on Religious Literature was seconded and the group heard with great interest the comments of Woodrow Hill who represented the Biblical Recorded, our State Publication. He reminded us of the value of this paper in keeping churches informed of denominational and convention programs and activities. He urged increased subscriptions and the inclusion of the Recorded in the church budget thereby going into homes of every family.

51. The American Bible Society report was presented by Rev. R. A. Brackett who moved the adoption and made informative comments on the work of the Society in distributing the Bible around the world and in multiple language translations. The group voted to accept his report.

52. The report on Christian Stewardship was submitted by Mrs. Judy Berry. In her absence a motion was made to accept the report and the assembly voted favorably.

53. Rev. Ned Perkins presented the report on Public Morals. His move for adoption led to a favorable vote from the messengers. His comments based on scripture verses taken from Ephesians 6:10-18 tended to emphasize the importance of spiritual armor to overcome temptation and sin.

54. To substantiate his report on Evangelism which was accepted by the assembly, Thomas Berry quoted figures concerning the number of baptisms in our churches from 1970-1976. We were somewhat saddened to note that almost without exception, there was a continuous decline. This made us more conscious to the need for evangelistic interest and effort in winning the lost. This is a responsibility that rests squarely on the shoulders of every Christian and is the shared concern of each church.

55. In the absence of Fred Sain, who due to illness was forced to resign his position as Associational Sunday School Director, his report was accepted as submitted.

56. Our spirits were somewhat lifted as we joined together in singing the first two stanzas of the hymn "Send the Light."

57. During the time designated for miscellaneous business, the moderator chose to name the Seminary Extension Committee. The action was authorized by the acceptance of the recommendation by Rev. Gary Huntsinger during the proceedings of the previous day. Those named by Rev. Sullivan to serve in this capacity were: Rev. Gary Huntsinger of Beulah, Chairman, Rev. Joe Edwards of Pisgah, Rev. Jerry Bryant of Mt. Vernon, Russell Huffman of Berea and Don Brittain of Wilkie's Grove.

58. In the absence of Rev. Edsell Mull, the Missions Committee report was presented by Rev. Cecil Buff. The group voted in favor of acceptance. Thomas Berry then presented the application to be submitted by the Association to the Baptist State Convention requesting $2400. assistance in providing a salary supplement for the Director of Missions. The group approved the request.

59. Rev. Joe Edwards represented the Constitution Committee in answering any questions concerning the draft of Articles 1 through 6, Section 10. The copies presented to each messenger on the previous day gave ample time and opportunity for study and consideration. After discussing several points for clarification the new proposed Constitution was accepted. The remaining articles will be reconstructed and presented for consideration at the annual meeting in 1978.

60. The Church Training Report by Robert Berry was accepted by a favorable vote. We regret that at the present time we have no church training director, but trust that the Nominating Committee will have a nominee for this vacancy very shortly.

61. The congregation joined in singing the hymn "We've a Story to Tell."

62. The doctrinal message brought by Rev. Gary Huntsinger was entitled the Second Coming of Christ. The scriptural background was John 14:1-16. His points of emphasis included the Person, the Promise and the Purpose. The four point purpose: to receive, to restore, to resurrect or rapture and to reward brought to a fitting close his message dealing with one of the fundamental

beliefs of the church and Christianity.

63. The enrollment for the afternoon session included 80 messengers and 25 visitors. The moderator then recognized Rev. Kanupp who made announcements concerning facilities and the serving of the evening meal.

64. With a preview of the program for the concluding session, the moderator invited everyone to stay for the evening activities.

65. Following the Benediction/Blessing by Rev. W. E. Keller everyone enjoyed a bountiful meal and good Christian fellowship. The comfortable and convenient facilities in the church basement added to our enjoyment of the refreshments and the social hour.

Friday Evening

66. The sound of the gavel by Rev. Sullivan called into session the last portion of the two-day meeting of the South Mountain Baptist Association.

67. The hymn "Amazing Grace" seemed to unite the hearts of the congregation in an attitude of worship.

68. Rev. Sullivan substituted for Rev. Buren Hastings in presenting the devotional thoughts for the evening. His presentation was concluded with prayer led by Rev. T. A. Lineberger.

69. Rev. Harold Kanupp as host pastor extended the official but cordial welcome to all who were in attendance.

70. The moderator then proceeded to recognize the special visitors either from State agencies or any Association other than our own.

71. Joe Goforth, Associational Director presented the report on Brotherhood activities. After moving adoption and receiving a vote of acceptance, he made brief but timely remarks using scripture found in I Corinthians 15:58 and ended by offering his services to any church interested in organizing or reorganizing any Brotherhood programs.

72. Publicizing the theme for the summer, "Standing with Christ", Rev. T. A. Lineberger proceeded to inform us of the South Mountain Baptist Camp program this year. He moved adoption of his printed report and it was accepted. He reported on camp attendance, staff and prayer emphasis. He urged continued prayer and support as he outlined proposed projects to be undertaken or completed. He reported increased attendance and greater response in decisions, rededications and entering various areas of Christian service. An invitation was issued to ministers and lay people to attend the School of Prayer to be held in November.

73. Even though there were Vacation Bible Schools held in many of our churches no report was submitted for inclusion in our Associational Annual.

74. Delbert Walker, chairman of the Finance Committee, brought to the floor for consideration, questions, and a vote for the proposed budget. Copies distributed the previous day afforded time for study and consideration. With almost total agreement the budget was accepted by a favorable vote. Delbert reminded us that adoption meant that we must support and give systematically to meet our committments.

75. Blanks were distributed giving messengers and visitors an opportunity to volunteer their services in the various phases of work in our Associational program.

76. In presenting the report of the Committee of Committees, Warren Yancey listed the regular standing committees and members named to serve on each. The addition of the newly formed Constitution Committee will become a permanent committee with members named each year as for the other previously established committees. His move for adoption resulted in a vote of acceptance.

77. In addition to the acknowledgments and expressions of gratitude to officers and host churches and pastors, the Resolutions Committee proposed that this years minutes be dedicated jointly to Edsel Mull and Fred Sain. These two have served faithfully and given of themselves to promote and

encourage the work of the Association. The committee also recommended the inclusion of pictures of host churches along with a brief historical resume of each. The entire report with all additions was accepted by an overwhelming majority.

78. Cecil Buff, serving as chairman, gave the following report of the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee for the 1978 annual meeting: 1st day: October 12 at Zion Hill with the Missionary Message by Rev. Joe Edwards, Rev. Joe Forbes as alternate; 2nd day: October 13 at Mull's Chapel with the Doctrinal Message by Rev. Thomas Berry with Rev. Ned Perkins as alternate.

79. Mrs. Mary Lou Wells accompained Miss Brenda Toncy, soloist from Berea, as she sang "I Found the Source of Music." We sincerely appreciate their wonderful contribution to the evening program.

80. During the miscellaneous business T. A. Lineberger gave further information concerning the School of Prayer. This special project will be held at South Mountain Baptist Camp. There will be a $1.00 registration fee and participants are to bring a bag lunch.

81. In the absence of Cecil Cook, Rev. Harold Dellinger presented the report of the nominating committee. After reading the names submitted for officers, Rev. Dellinger moved for accentance and the group voted favorably.

82. The clerk was directed by the moderator to inform every person elected to a position of their responsibility and duty to fulfill all accompanying obligations. Each committee chairman is to be notified of their position and be furnished names of the committee members so that they can contact them and secure their cooperation in fulfilling their duties.

83. All officers named by the nominating committee and elected by the delegate assembly were invited to come to the rostrum for the installation service conducted by Rev. Harold Dellinger.

84. Rev. Sullivan expressed appreciation to pastors and officers for their cooperation during the past year, and offered the services of the staff in assisting any church in any way they could.

85. Rev. Harold Dellinger serving as Director of Missions was given time for any remarks he wished to make concerning his work and offering his services to the churches in improving their programs.

86. Appropriate meditation was inspired as memorial thoughts were presented by Lucille Upton. At the conclusion, the congregation stood in reverent quietness as she read the names of those deceased from the various churches. Following a moment of silent prayer the memorial benediction was given by Rev. Jerry Bryant.

87. Bringing to a fitting conclusion all the messages and programs of all the sessions was the Moderator's address brought by Rev. Gwyn Sullivan. The inspiration for his remarks was the Great Commission found in Matthew 28: 19-20. Having served on the General Board he quoted figures concerning the numbers of churches and the membership making up the Southern Baptist Convention. He reminded us that we were a vital part of this organization and urged us to exert greater effort and influence in meeting the goals set by the Bold Mission Thrust. He renumerated the goals briefly as follows: (1) to preach the gospel to every human being on earth by the year 2000 (2) to increase the mission staff from 2500 to 5000 by the year 2000. (3) to have mission work in 125 countries of the world (4) to greatly expand evangelism (5) to overcome world hunger and disasters. Then resorting to the there Let the Church Reach Out he listed some ways this might be accomplished: 1) through Bible Study 2) through Biblical preaching 3) through Evangelism 4) through Visitation 5) through World Missions 6) through Christian giving - doubling the Cooperative Program gifts by 1982. Altogether his message was inspiring and challenging and representatives departed with a message to carry to their own churches.

88. By virtue of being re-elected as Moderator, Rev. Sullivan proceeded to name the Committee on Committees for the ensuing year. Those named were, Warren Yancey, Chrm., Mrs. Jesse Fortenberry, Doris Upton, Rev. Cecil Buff and Rev. Ralph Staton.

89. The Sixty-Seventh session of the South Mountain Baptist Association was closed with the benediction. Delegates expressed gratitude to God for allowing them to attend and left with a challenge to render even greater service for Him in the coming year.

REPORT OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The "Good News Bible" is here! In the fall of our Bicentennial Year, The American Bible Society completed and published the "Good News Bible" in today's English version. This is the culmination of years of precise, painstaking translation work. It makes available for the first time, a faithful translation of the sacred text in a style of language readily understood by most people.

It was in November, 1961, when the Rev.M. Wndell Belew wrote to Dr. Eugene A. Nida indicating a need for scriptures "Translated for the fourth grade level." A month later the project was begun under the direction of Dr. Robert G. Batcher, a Southern Baptist. The New Testament was published in 1966. Acceptance of this common language translation was widespread and immediate. However, nowhere was there more enthusiastic reception than from Southern Baptist. The General Baptist Convention of Texas immediately made plans to distribute over one million copies. Such reaction made the translation of the whole Bible imperative and led to the publication of the "Good News Bible" in December, 1976.

The purpose of the American Bible Society has remained unchanged throughout the years---the translation, publication, and distribution of scriptures without doctrinal note or comment and without profit. Since 1816 the American Bible Society has been making God's work available to spiritually hungry people everywhere. At least one bood of the Bible has been translated into more than 1,600 languages as of December 31, 1976.

Here are a few highlights showing what The American Bible Society and its partners did in 1976 to meet the challenge.

Good News for New Readers -- Three Years and Still Going Strong

Just over three years ago, Good News For New Readers was launched in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The goal of the Bible Societies was to provide scripture portions and selections on graded levels for new readers in 100 languages. By the end of 1976 work had been undertaken in 286 languages. Not only are these selections available in languages like English, Spanish, French, Portugese, but you can also find them in Dangme, Isizulu, Punjabi, and Jacalteco. In Afica alone, there are 79 Good News For New Readers projects.

In 1976 The American Bible Society released a new filmstrip entitled "Lives Filled with His Love." Shot on location in Brazil, Bolivia, Guatemala and Mexico, this color filmstrip shows the progress The Good News for New Readers program is making in the lives of new readers in South America and around the world. The 611 bookings in 1976 made this one of the most popular of all The American Bible Society filmstrips.

Translation and Publication Uptade, 1976

A major item in the budget of The American Bible Society is translation of the scriptures. At present, The Bible Societies are giving help directly and indirectly in 560 languages. Fifty-two of these translation projects are in Europe. Three major projects completed were the "Good News Bible" in today's English version, the "Millenial Bible" in Polish, and the common language New Testament in today's Chinese version.

American Bible Society Activities - U. S. A.

Scripture Distribution - Scripture distribution in the United States during 1976 reached a total of 114,769,046 copies, an increase of 5,229,265 over 1975. One million copies of the "Good News Bible" were circulated in the month of December alone, one month after publication.
Scripture Imprints - In 1976 The American Bible Society produced 15,227,850 scripture imprints, of which 4,636,000 were requested by various Southern Baptist organizations.

Bible Society Activities Abroad

The American Bible Society contributed $5,649,892 to the United Bible Societies world service budget in 1976, thus giving crucial support to the Bible cause throughout the world. This made it possible for more than 330,000,000 scriptures to be distributed by member societies of the United Bible Societies - a new record.

Here are just a few of the ways The American Bible Society is assisting the missionary activities of the Southern Baptist Convention:

Brazil-The Good News for New Readers scripture literacy selections are widely used by Mobral, Brazil's literacy organization, with the newly literate. They are now available in two languages, Kaingang and Portugese. Translation into Makuchi, Ninam, and Sanuma is now underway. Distribution of these selections more than doubled in the last year from 479,372 in 1975 to 999,304 in 1976.

Indonesia-Two training seminars were held for the new reader program in central and eastern Java. There were 700 teachers in attendance at the seminar in central Java representing Catholic, Protestant, and Government Schools. 100,000 children were involved in these programs. Each child was able to read 55 different Bible selections over a period of a few weeks. These training seminars were regarded as highly successful, and many of the teachers became enthusiastic about the program.

Eastern European Update - In spite of unique and difficult obstacles, the Bible cause in Eastern Europe is advancing. At present there are 12 translation projects underway in these countries. In the last decade, over five million scriptures, most of them complete Bibles or New Testaments, have been distributed throughout Eastern European countries. Recently, German speaking Baptists received 3,000 German language bibles from the United Bible Societies.

Eurpoe-The European Baptist Federation has proclaimed 1977 as the "Year of the Bible" for Baptist churches in Europe by asking its members to emphsize Bible reading in their churches throughout the year. Europe's Bible Societies are ready to assist Baptist churches in distributing the Bible during this special year.

The Bible Society asks for your continued prayers that we will be blessed by God in our combined efforts to bring His word to all those who are in desperate need of it.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. A. Brackett

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

In 1976, the Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention recommended a new retirement program which was approved by all the State Baptist Conventions. The new program called the Southern Baptist Retirement Program will go into effect January 1, 1978.

Detailed information will be presented to churches in the early fall with a route 10 promotional theme, according to Darold H. Morgan, President of the Board.

The Board paid $17,138,343 in benefits to 11,925 widows, retired disabled members in 1976. During its 59 years of service, the Board has paid more than $158 million in retirement and protection benefits.

A 13th check amounting to one month's income was mailed for the eleventh time to annuitants. The combined amount of this extra check came to $830,525.

Most members benefit from a decision to increase the interest rate for figuring retirement benefits. Annuitants began receiving larger checks as of January 1, 1977.

For almost 45,000 members, the Board held in trust, funds totaling $472,218,669 for retirement benefits for the year ending 1976.

The Annuity Board also administers Life, Medical and Disability Insurance Programs, which reflected increases in Membership.

In North Carolina as of March 31, 1977, 2787 staff members of 2196 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program; 2491 in the Family Benefit Section: 1275 in the Age Security Section and 240 in the Variable Benefit Section.

Additional information concerning the Annuity Board and its programs of retirement and insurance may be obtained from the state convention offices or by contacting the Annuity Board, S. B. C., 511 North Akard Building, Dallas, Texas 75201.

STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS 1977

RETIREMENT PLANS	TOTAL MEMBERS	INSURANCE	
Plan A (Churches-Agencies) Family Benefit	27,598	**Health Insurance	17,020
Plan B (Churches Agencies) Age Security	25,412	Group Life(Churches)	9,451
Plan C (Churches Agencies) Variable Fund	5,987	Group Life(Agencies)	13,300
Total Benefits Paid Retirement and Protection	$17,138,343	*Life Benefit Plan	3,111
Relief Benefits	$ 285,504		
Relief Receipients	425		

*Closed to New Members
**Includes Students, Churches Agencies

Respectfully Submitted,

Edsel Mull

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INCORPORATED

Baptists of N. C. provide a ministry of love and care to children, young people and their families. The program is more than rooms, meals, activities, and recreation. It's more than buildings and grounds. The care of children is missions...reaching out with a helping hand. It is evangelism...sharing the joy of life in Christ. It is love and affection...the giving of hugs and kisses and frienship. It is education...teaching an appreciation for the finer things in life. It is restoration...enabling families to fundtion again.

Campuses at Mills Home, Thomasville: Kennedy Home, Kinston: Odum Home,

Pembroke: and Broyhill Home, Waynesville-Clyde continue to serve as centers of service and operation in their respective areas of the state.

Foster Home care, a state wide program of the Homes, is vital to numbers of children needing special help. Additional foster homes are needed throughout the state. We welcome opportunities to talk with prospective foster parents about this area of service.

Emergency Shelters at Forest City, Charlotte, Burlington and Henderson are meeting a critical need. They provide a ready resource for children who need help immediately. During a period of one to ninety days responsible planning is made for the child's future.

The Maternity Home in Asheville, opened in 1970, has proved to be a much needed and well received service. More than three hundred girls have been served from throughout N. C. and beyond. It is recognized for its quality of care and Christian concern.

Social Work and Family Resource Centers enable us to work with families in providing services to children, family rehabilitation, family education and preventive services. These centers are located in Waynesville, Asheville, Charlotte, Thomasville, Burlington, Raleigh, Kinston, Fayetteville and Pembroke.

The Child Development Center on the Mills Home campus at Thomasville provides a demonstration program for churches who are interested in establishing services for preschool age children in nursery school education, day care and kindergarten. We welcome opportunities to assist churches any place in the state who want to develop this type program.

Members of our staff are anxious to have you and members of your churches visit on any of our campuses. To see, observe and to feel in person what it is like to live in a Children's Home is to appreciate our child care ministry. Thank you for your dependable support in numerous ways. It shall be our purpose to keep this a dynamic ministry and to meet the needs of those whom we serve.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Sain

BIBLICAL RECORDER

What is perhaps the greatest challenge faced in all the history of the Southern Baptists is before our people for the remaining 23 years of the 20th Century. It has been called "Bold Missions Thrust", and the success of the venture is yet to be determined. There is no doubt concerning the importance or the motivation for the undertaking, but there is uncertainty as to whether the motivating message will be successfully communicated to some 13 million Southern Baptists, and to our more than 34,000 churches. Without adequate communication channels, the program cannot succeed.

The heart of the program is to evangelize and congregationalize the world's population, and the thrust is confronting all human beings everywhere with the gospel, and affording them the opportunity of knowing thrusting Christ as Saviou, and then leading them to an understanding of his Lordship.

The program is so big, and the challenge so great, to make it successful every Baptist must be involved. Not since Jesus presented to his disciples the goal of going into all the world has such boldness been demonstrated.

The most difficult problems faced in our churches are related to communications. When people are uninformed, poorly informed, or misinformed, they get into trouble. When they know what is taking place in their local congregation and in the denomination, interest is generated and cooperation results. Openness is therefore imprortant, and the purpose of the Biblical Recorder is

to keep Baptist church members informed concerning involvement in their denomination, and in the Christian world.

In light of developments presently underway in our denomination, it is important that every Baprist church member in N. C. receive the Biblical Recorder weekly. Already more than 1100 churches in our state are providing through their budgets for the Recorder to go to all resident families. The Southern Baptist Convention has adopted a circulation goal of eight million for state papers by 1980. The SBC believes that every Baptist family ought to be receiving its state Baptist paper. Recorder circulation approaches 120,000 but should be increased in the immediate future to 150,000.

If your church is not sending the Recorder to resident families at the present time, arrangements should be made immediately to do so by incorporating it in your church budget. Costing less than half the price of a postage stamp per issue, it is delivered by U. S. Mail directly to your home address.

The Recorder doesn't cost, it pays! Your church will be a healthier congregation if you provide the Recorder for your resident families. It is the most widely read piece of literature received by North Carolina Baptists. No investment pays greater dividends.

Respectfully Submitted,

Warren Yancey,
Quoted from Marse Grant, Editor
Biblical Recorder

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Reviewing the events of the past year, the highlight for the Brotherhood was the Bold Mission Thrust made in co-operation with other organizations.

Missions can be any one of the numerous avenues that lies before the Baptist men of North Carolina. Promotion and sponsoring an R.A. program could be another. A visitation program to shut-ins in your community could be another. Taking part in state wide endeavors is a responsibility of the Brotherhood.

If there is not a Baptist men's organization in your church, let's start one. The young boys and men need examples to follow. We should bive them a good one by helping others. Start a Brotherhood in your church!

I stand ready to help your church any way I can. If you would like to know more about Brotherhood work, please call on me. Remember I'm not fulfilling my oblication to the Association unless you use me.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Goforth

CHRISTIAN ACTION

The N. C. Christian Action League has been engaged in a two pronged attack on the moral front during the past year. A real effort has been made to curb the flow of pornography, and the liquor-by-the-drink issue has been opposed at every turn.

In the legislative program of the League a questionaire was sent to each candidate for the State Senate and the House of Representatives asking for views on the question of the dissemination of hard core pornographic material. Another question went so far as to suggest a state wide vote on the matter of regulating and controling distribution of pornographic materials.

Senate Bill No. 539 was introduced by Senator I. Beverly Lake, Jr. of Wake County. It is hoped that this Law will regulate and eventually do away with hard core pornography in N. C. The Bill was amended many times, but the strength of the statute remains intact. This new law will permit the Solicitor or the Attorney General to proceed against pornography.

Another bill has been enacted that will prohibit the display of pornographic magazines and other materials on racks in public places where they can be viewed by minors. Still another law was passed that will make it illegal to use minors in the production of pornographic materials.

The effort against liquor-by-the-drink began before the election of senators and representatives last year. An all out campaign was conducted to ascertain the views of candidates on the question of more liberal laws in relation to the sale of alcoholic beverages. Many committed themselves to oppose any such legislation and became voting members of the 1977 assembly. We counted heavily upon these friends to hold the line against the encroachment of any new legislation that would merchandise whiskey like apples and oranges, and no such legislation was passed during the 1977 session.

Senate Bill No. 735 was introduced in May. This Bill would have given a vote to any county, city or town which had an ABC Store to determine liquor-by-the-drink sales on top of "Brown-bagging".

In other words, a restaurant which qualified could have had both types of permits. This would have given N. C. one of the most liberal systems in the U. S. Due to some vote swapping to revive the Pornography Bill, this measure passed the Senate by a 24 to 23 vote. The proponents of the Bill, realizing that it was headed for defeat in the House by at least 15 votes, made a last minute move which sent the Bill back to the House ABC Committee where it will await next year's session of the General Assembly.

This gives us time to organize our forces and to make contacts with our representatives. You spoke loud and clear in opposition in the State wide referendum in 1973, and we don't believe you have changed your minds. You are urged to contact your representatives and either encourage him in opposition to the Bill or request his support for the defeat of Senate Bill No. 735.

The Christian Action League appreciates the support which has been given this past year, and reminds you that we can do only that which you enable us to do through your contributions.

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT

Baptists of North Carolina are deeply involved in the ministry of Christian Higher Education through the support of six colleges and one university: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wingate and Wake Forest University. During the 1976-77 academic year, 13,733 persons were enrolled in the seven schools. The number graduating in May, 1977 was 2,493.

One strong emphasis of Baptist colleges is the preparation of pastors, missionaries, and other church vocation volunteers. In the Fall of 1976, there were 846 persons preparing for church-related vocations at North Carolina Baptist colleges.

Recruitment of young people is a major concern of the colleges. Pastors and other church leaders are urged to encourage their youth to attend a Baptist college.

Financial assistance is also available for students who need help. In fact, most of the students attending a North Carolina Baptist college do receive some financial help. Prospective students who will need some financial aid should apply to the college early in the junior year of high school.

North Carolina Baptist colleges are grateful for the generous financial support received through the Cooperative Program. The colleges reaffirm their support and partnership in missions with the churches, and offer the services

of faculty, students and other campus resources to make the Bold Mission emphasis of Southern Baptists a vital and successful ministry.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe R. Edwards

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

Training.....Jesus taught that it was important. Jesus' earthly ministry occupied less than three years. Near the onset of His ministry, He selected a small band of disciples, taught and trained them, and assigned to them the task of continuing the work He had begun. "The Great Commission" sets in clear focus Jesus' value on the church's teaching - training task. (Matthew 28:18-20).

As we study, an impartial and inductive analysis of the New Testament leaves us with a strong feeling that Jesus placed high value on training. He Himself developed leaders for specific missions and He left His church with orders to do the same.

Don't forget the value of church training.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Berry, Associational
Church Training Director

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1977-1978

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Respectfully Submitted,

Warren Yancey, Chairman
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Rev. Ralph Staton

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM RECEIPTS

Cooperative Program gifts actually received by the Business Office of Baptist State Convention of North Carolina for the period listed below. These gifts are divided among your missions, educational, and benevolent ministries.

Special offerings from the churches are not included in these figures. Check this with your church records and please report any difference to R. Tom Green, P.O. Box 26508, Raleigh, N. C. 27611.

JUNE 30, 1977

CHURCHES	CURRENT QUARTER	TO DATE ABOVE	TO THIS DATE LAST YEAR	GOAL - % OF CH. BUDGET
SOUTH MOUNTAIN				
Abee's Chapel	.00	.00	.00	
Berea	1,141.19	2,929.69	3,609.23	15.000%
Beulah	.00	.00	.00	2.000%
Carswell Memorial	30.00	60.00	76.00	
Corinth	.00	110.00	440.00	
Drowning Creek	.00	.00	.00	
Faith Olive	31.57	46.57	34.12	
Grace and Truth	.00	.00	.00	
Hildebran View	.00	.00	.00	
Hoyle Memorial	.00	.00	.00	
Laurel Haven	.00	30.00	.00	
Midway	.00	.00	.00	
Mount Calvary	.00	.00	.00	
Mount Gilead	.00	.00	.00	
Mount Hebron	1,417.56	2,705.86	2,074.17	10.000%
Mount Vernon	1,247.65	2,352.45	2,018.34	15.000%
Mount Zion	.00	.00	.00	6.000%
Mull's Chapel	.00	.00	.00	
Oak Ridge	1,219.43	2,024.96	4,520.00	8.000%
Olive Grove	.00	.00	.00	
Philadelphia	.00	.00	55.70	
Pisgah	.00	862.50	899.72	10.000%
Pleasant Grove	30.48	30.48	.00	
St. John's	.00	.00	.00	
St. Paul	50.00	100.00	50.00	
Shoup's Grove	300.00	600.00	450.00	
Smarts Grove	.00	.00	.00	
South Fork	740.85	1,499.08	1,369.01	9.000%
Tabernacle	.00	.00	.00	
Walker's Chapel	.00	.00	.00	
Wilkies Grove	1,414.28	2,775.51	2,543.79	10.500%

Zion Hill	555.51	555.51	528.05	7.000%
Zoar	.00	.00	.00	
Other Than Church	.00	.00	.00	
TOTAL	8,178.52	16,682.61	18,697.83	

EVANGELISM REPORT

Bold Missions seems to be the thought of most people these days. Throughout both conventions, State and Southern Baptist, there is great emphasis on sharing Christ. Hopefully, our churches are getting caught up in this same spirit.

Several things of great interest happened during 1976-1977.

1. February 6-7 2400 pastors and lay persons attended the 31st Statewide Evangelism Conference in Greensboro, N.C.
2. N. C. Baptist Assembly ministered to more than 500 youth and adults during Youth Ministry Week of June 13 - 17th.
3. August 19th, Greensboro Coliseum, was the Youth Evangelism Night. Jim Wilson and Larry McFadden did a super job of leading 12,500 youth in a great worship experience. 956 decisions were made.
4. Many other areas of reaching people for Christ was used during the summer months. Many churches and associations were involved in Lay Revivals, Lay Evangelism Schools, and many provided Evangelism Clinics and Conferences.
5. Please mark your 1978 calendar for the 32nd Statewide Evangelism Conference to be held at War Memorial Auditorium in Greensboro, N. C.
6. My prayer is that God will be able to help all the churches see that the fields are white to harvest.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Berry

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Bible speaks against looking backward but sometimes this can be revealing and, if viewed realistically, it can be challenging. The year's end for our Association is the time for an annual overview of accomplishments as well as an admission of failures. The falling short of attaining goals or making progress is not the failure of any individual but the shared responsibility of all of us. Ask yourself seriously, have you, as an individual or as a church, been an asset or a liability in the march of progress for our Association? Our leaders have made a solemn attempt to move forward the work of South Mountain Baptist Association but effective leadership must have dedicated follow-ship." We are grateful for the inspiration of our leaders and their tireless efforts to promote local, state and convention-wide emphasis during the year.

All regularly scheduled and several special meetings were held throughout the year. Our activities were outlined a year in advance through the preparation and distribution of the Calendar of Activities by Rev. Dellinger, our Director of Missions. We are indebted to him for this scheduled planning and urge greater use of this valuable information in promoting more participation by all churches in the future.

Several area meetings planned by state leaders made available to us opportunity for leadership training in various areas of our denominational

program. Fred Sain was instrumental in establishing close ties between the Sunday School and the Vacation Bible School and asked that we consider the possibility of bearing the expenses for sending VBS workers to Ridgecrest. Each department director, as they reported from time to time, noted some progress but none were satisfied with the participation of so few churches. Each one tried to plan and execute activities that would be of interest and benefit to the Associational program. It would seem that if these leaders go all out for a good schedule of activities the least we as individuals and churches can do is to support them and take advantage of every opportunity afforded us.

We regret, that due to a lack of support, several events were cancelled, specifically the Jim Wilson Crusade and the World Missions Conference.

Our Association was represented in active mission work through the volunteered services of Rev. Dellinger. He joined other volunteers in going to Antigua and Barbados and doing construction work to complete church buildings and aid missionaries serving in those areas. The churches through donations helped provide his expenses.

During the year much improvement has been made in and around the Associational office. The landscaping and interior decoration has made it a more pleasant and comfortable place for various meetings. The tables and chairs which somewhat overcrowded the space were sold and folding chairs substituted for them. This permits a larger number of people to be seated comfortably.

Rev. Sullivan, as a member of the General Board of the N. C. State Baptist Convention, has been an active participant and has kept us well informed of all the activities and business that has transpired during the year. We appreciate his service and the commendable way he has represented us in our State Denominational Program.

A new committee was brought into existence during the year. This Committee, appointed by the Moderator and made up by Rev. Jimmy Cox, Chairman; Thomas Berry and Joe Edwards, was designated as the Constitution and By Laws Committee. Their responsibility was to study and revise our Constitution and set up guide lines and job descriptions for the various leaders in the Association. Due to the resignation of Jimmy Cox at Mt. Hebron, Ralph Staton was named as his replacement. The report of the Committee will appear elsewhere in the records.

Due to an unfortunate illness, Fred Sain was forced to resign his position as Sunday School Director. Flowers and cards in behalf of the Association were sent to him during his hospitalization and the committee voted to authorize the Treasurer to pay him the compensation designated in the budget for this position. Publicity through the Newsletter made it possible for anyone who desired to contribute to a fund to assist Fred in his illness.

The special emphasis during the year was the publicity given to the Bold Thrust. This was a proposed plan whereby the Baptists of N. C. Through greatly increased giving, hoped to raise funds sufficient to pay off the indebtedness of our State Convention. The Association was organized and had interpreters go into various churches to explain the importance of the project. It is our hope that every church was visited and that each congregation willingly assumed their share of responsibility for the success of the project.

A worthwhile proposal of the Executive Committee was the air conditioning of the Associational Office. When the proposal was presented the group seemed eager to carry through. A committee composed of Ralph Staten, Harold Dellinger and Gary Huntsinger was authorized to secure and consider competitive bids and award a contract not to exceed $1,000.00. Their thorough investigation resulted in the finished job at a considerable saving below the ceiling price. This addition will greatly benefit the various groups which meet periodically as well as the regular work of the Associational Missions Director.

We regret the loss of the services of some pastors and officers during the

year. Death, illiness and resignation contributed to the changes necessary to fill vacancies. The various committees have named some replacements and we ask your continued prayer and expressions of thanks to those who agreed to serve under these difficult circumstances. The importance of God's work must take precedence over our convenience and the loss of a single individual should not be allowed to prevent the progress of goals and achievements. Valuable as their services were, we are grateful to those who gave of their time and effort while they had the opportunity to serve God and the poeple of South Mountain Association.

We are still optimistic concerning the future of our Association but would like to know that your support and presence would be most helpful and encouraging in the new year. May you begin now to pray, work and cooperate with all other churches in promoting God's work while we yet have time and opportunity.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucille Upton, Clerk

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

During the associational year, no business requiring discussion or action was brought to the attention of the Associational Missions Committee. There has been an increase in missionary giving to our associational work on the part of the churches. Your help has enabled our Director of Missions to do a good work among us.

We remind all churches - their pastors, officers and lay-people that Rev. Harold Dellinger stands ready to assist them in the program of their church. If you have an area in which you believe he could be of service please contact him, give him a chance to help and serve you. He cannot and will not force himself on a church group, but is devoted to rendering assistance when it is sought. He welcomes the chance to serve the Lord through service to the churches of the South Mountain Association. Do contact Rev. Dellinger, ask him if you need help and information on the promotion of Southern Baptist work.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Edsel Mull, Chairman
Warren Yancey
Rev. Robert Beck
Doris Upton
Rev. Clyde Houston

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

The past year in your North Carolina Baptist Homes for the aging has been one of the fullest and most exciting in the twenty-six years that the homes have been ministering!

Of keenest interest was the groun-breaking service for the new Western North Carolina Baptist Home, on eht Pearson Estate on Richmond Hill, in northwest Asheville, last October more than a thousand people from our Western North Carolina Baptist churches, as well as many others throughout the state were gathered. It was a thrilling moment when trustees, staff, and residents of the homes, pastors, and other church leaders latched on to ropes, attached to a hugh bulldozer, pulled together and helped to move the first dirt at the

site, heralding the beginning of the construction of your sixth Baptist Home for the Aging.

Construction is now underway for this lovely Western North Carolina Baptist Home which will eventually accomodate 50 people.

Another exciting venture is the construction of four duplex apartments at the site of the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem. These apartments will care for 16 additional persons and will be ready for occupancy in the fall of 1977. Sixty six more people will be served in our Baptist Homes family in the next two years.

Gifts from our Baptist people have been very encouraging during the past year through the Cooperative Program and through the third Sunday of February offering. These sources supply 35% of the total budget of the homes and are used continually to supplement the care of the majority of the residents who cannot pay their full cost of care. They are love gifts indeed and are a life line for those whose needs could not be met without them.

The needs of older persons in our society today are great and almost overwhelming. Plans are in the making for an accelerated ministry in our North Carolina Baptist Homes that will touch an ever increasing number of persons.

These plans call for greater concern and commitment on our part than ever before. The future of our North Carolina Baptist Homes is as bright as the promises of God. In the future the Lord, and thses older people in our midst, will be looking to us to share in meeting the needs as we reach out and serve more of these dear ones who desperately need help.

Respectfully submitted,

Norris Brittain

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

The beautiful stained glass window in the front of Davis Chapel at Baptist Hospital has three large panels, each depicting an aspect of Christ's ministry: Healing, teaching, and preaching. The window serves as a reminder to the staff that Baptist Hospital has also been commissioned to this threefold task.

The hospital's primary task, obviously, is healing and it attempts to obtain and use the best personnel adn equipment available for the healing task. The medical staff consists of competent, dedicated men and women in all the various specialties of medicine. Persons with rare and complicated medical problems are referred to Baptist Hospital by their family physicians for treatment. Last year 158,863 visits were made in the hospital's outpatient department and the Bowman Gray Department of Clinics. There were 22,365 admissions to the hospital for a total of 193,942 patient days. These patients came from 90 counties in North Carolina, from 29 other states and from 3 foreign countries.

Baptist Hospital is also involved in teaching. In cooperation with the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest University, it helped to train 1,188 studetns last year for careers in medicine and allied health fields. In addition, there were 87 graduate students in the basic sciences. The Hospital also provided clinical facilities for 483 student nurses from 3 nearby schools of nursing and for 120 students in other allied schools. The School of Pastoral Care last year enrolled a total of 75 students in various levels of clinical pastoral education.

The Hospital also has a preaching ministry. There is preaching the formal sense at least four times a week in the worship services held in Davis Chapel. In a less formal sense, the Christian gospel is proclaimed daily by staff, students, patients and others who witness to thie faith in work and deed.

In all of these ministries, Baptist Hospital is mindful of its Christian heritage and its strong tie with the Baptist State Convention. This tie is maintained and strengthened through the services of capable, dedicated trustees who are elected gy and are responsible to the convention. The tie is also strengthened through the financial support from the churches, last year $294,324 was received through the Cooperative Program and $405,947 through the Mother's Day Offering.

Several members of the hospital staff have assumed active roles in denominational life at the association level and the state convention level, as well as in their local churches. For the past five year hospital personnel have assisted in cooperative program promotion in at least two associations each year. Staff members are pleased to do everything possible to strengthen the denominational ties, believing that this adds a dimension to the ministry of healing, teaching and preaching.

Mother's Day gifts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977 were $411,224.56 compated to a total of $405,946.52 for the preceding fiscal year.

1977 MOTHERS DAY OFFERING JULY 1976 THRU JUNE 1977
SOUTH MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

Church Name	Contribution 1976	1977
Abee's Chapel	$ 150.00	83.00
Berea	41.44	96.52
Beulah	35.00	15.21
Carswell Memorial	87.00	70.00
Corinth	375.69	404.85
Drowning Creek		25.00
Faith Olive		
Grace and Truth		
Hildebran View		
Hoyle Memorial		25.68
Laurel Haven		18.00
Midway		
Mount Calvary		
Mount Gilead	50.00	100.00
Mount Hebron		32.00
Mount Vernon	40.00	83.50
Mount Zion		45.55
Mull's Chapel	100.00	50.00
Oak Ridge	200.00	340.00
Olive Grove	35.50	

In Memoriam

I want to tell you of a strange and wonderful country. A country where there are no tears or heartaches, a country in which there is no sickness, pain or death. The people who live in this country never get tired. They carry no burdens and they never grow old. No one ever says goodbye, for separations are unknown, and there are no disappointments.

You ask me how I know all this? Have I been there? No, I have not yet had the privilege of visiting this wonderful country, but others have. And One, at least, who has lived there for a long-long time, has come to earth and through His Word has told me a great deal about it. He says it is called Heaven, and this is His description of it: "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God

himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain." (Rev. 27: 3-4) A man may go to Heaven without health, without wealth, without fame, without a great name, without learning, without culture, without friends, without ten thousand other things. But he can never go to Heaven without Christ. We are eternally grateful to Him for His sacrificial death which gives us everlasting life. We are joyous, even in the midst of sorrow as we remember those who have believed His promises and committed their lives to living and serving in such a way that upon their summons through the gateway of death they might hear the bidding of Christ "Come Home thou good and faithful servant. You have done well your tasks in life." Isn't the thought of their being at Home with God a great consolation!

Home, the pilgrim's toil is o'er,
How sweet the rest
A voice from heaven declares
That such are blessed.
Home amid radiant hosts of saints in light
Home, with the Savior, faith now lost in sight
Home, in the Father's house of joy untold
Home, where His glories to our lives unfold
Home, blessed Home to praise Him evermore
Home, yes at Home, forever to adore
Home, where His love would have us near His side
Home, with Himself, forever to abide.

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Our Beloved Dead

Abee's Chapel: Mr. John Abee(Retired Deacon), Mr. Earnest Mourglea, Mr. Kile McClure, Mr. Delkie Mourglea(Retired Deacon).
Berea: Mr. Ernest Lloyd
Beulah: Mr. Marshall Craig, Mr. Owen Hoyle(9-13-75)
Corinth: Mrs. Lula Bell Hoyle Canipe, Mr. Zebbie Hudson
Faith Olive: Mr. Bart Lynn
Midway: Mr. Robert Thorne, Mr. Bobby Freeman
Mt. Gilead: Mr. Horace Hipps
Mt. Hebron: Mrs. Bobbie Franklin
Mt. Vernon: Mrs. Ira Payseur, Mr. Walter Stiles
Mt. Zion: Mr. Joe Logan (Deacon), Mrs. Lilly Fortenberry, Mrs. E. F. Bridges
Oak Ridge: Mrs. Sylvia Parker, Mr. Lee Barnes
Olive Grove: Miss Debbie Walker, Mrs. Annie M. Propst, Mrs. Dulsenia Self
Pisgah: Mrs. Plumie Parker
Pleasant Grove: Mrs. Annie Denton Shoupe (Oldest Member)
St. John's: Miss Lillie Huffman (Clerk)
St. Paul: Mr. Ralph Willis, Mrs. Eva Newton Hall, Mr. McClure Hoyle
Shoup's Grove: Mrs. Etta Swink, Mrs. Lizzie Cline, Mr. Frank Helton
Smart's Grove: Miss Flora Lail, Miss Janie Lail
South Fork: Mrs. Etta Stilwell
Wilkie's Grove: Mr. Clyde Lowman(Deacon), Mr. Earl Wright(Deacon), Mr. Henry Townsend, Mrs. Rennie Lowman
Zion Hill: Mr. John Huffman, Mr. Ralph Starnes, Mrs. Vassie Wellman, Mr. Will Wellman(8-76)
Zoar: Mr. A. R. Bumgarner(Ordained Minister), Mr. Evert Costner, Mr. Zero Parker

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
OFFICERS FOR 1977-1978

Moderator. . . . . .Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Vice Moderator . . . . . .Rev. Joe Edwards
C lerk . . . . . .Miss Lucille Upton
Treasurer. . . . . Miss Doris Upton
Sunday School Director . . . . . Rev. Jerry Bryant
Church Training Director . . . . . .
Woman's Missionary Director. . . . . Mrs. Frances Melton
Brotherhood Director . . . . . Mr. Joe Goforth
Vacation Bible School Director . . . . . (To be picked by S.S. Director)
R. A. Leader. . . . . Mr. Robert Childers
Music Director . . . . . .Mr. Kenneth Sain
Pianist. . . . . .Mrs. Joe Edwards
Historian. . . . . Mrs. Edna Mull

REPORTS FOR 1978

Public Morals and Temperance . . . . . .Rev. Gary Huntsinger
Christian Education. . . . . Rev. Joe Forbes
Foreign Missions . . . . . .Rev. Paul Robinson
Home Missions. . . . . Mrs. Mike Lail
State Missions . . . . . Rev. Cecil Buff
Cooperative Program. . . . . Rev. Thomas Berry
Baptist Hospital . . . . . Rev. Buren Hastings
Annuity. . . . . Rev. Ralph Staten
Religious Literature . . . . . Mr. Vester Shull
Christian Stewardship. . . . . Mr. Russell Huffman
Obituaries . . . . . .Miss Lucille Upton
Baptist Children's Homes . . . . . .Mr. Leonard Newton
Homes for Aging. . . . . Mrs. Harold Dellinger
American Bible Society . . . . . Rev. Steve Harden

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Sain Leonard Newton
Cecil Cook Robert Berry
Vester Shull

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
PROPOSED BUDGET
1977-1978

Missionary's Salary	$ 7,744.00
Missionary's Travel	1,800.00
Missionary's Health Benefit	684.00
Missionary's Utilities	726.00
Missionary's Retirement	955.00
Secretary's Salary	400.00
Office Payments	1,000.00
Insurance-Office Unit	73.00
Electricity	250.00
Telephone	500.00
Fuel	250.00
Sunday School Programs & Leadership Training**	300.00
Church Training Programs & Leadership Training**	300.00
W. M. U.	300.00
Brotherhood	25.00
Vacation Bible School	150.00

R. A.'s	145.00
Evangelism	100.00
Church Music	50.00
Church Administrative Pastor's Conference	75.00
Minutes	800.00
Associational Speaker's Fee	150.00
Postage	300.00
Miscellaneous Office Supplies	400.00
Office Equipment	200.00
Machine - Equipment Repair	50.00
Convention Expense(State, Southern Baptist, and Evangelism)	500.00
South Mountain Camp	50.00
Missionary's Christmas Gift	60.00
Clerk's Compensation	275.00
Treasurer's Compensation	275.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Total	$18,987.00

** Recommended that this not be for personal use of Directors, but to be used for programs, speakers, etc.

PUBLIC MORALS AND TEMPERANCE

Our social order is no longer easy and simple. It is complex and confusing. The Communication Media makes us aware of the increase of crime, automobile accidents, homicides, suicides, broken homes, broken hearts, racial tensions, war, and economic struggle. The basic cause underlining these things is that since man's sin in the garden, "Man's mind has been on evil continually." So, because of this, we find that "The way of the transgressor is hard."

TEMPERANCE

The Christian Gospel is concerned with the redemption of the total man. Jesus commissioned His church to penetrate society and act as a wholesome leaven which would leaven the shole lump. Thus we are concerned with temperance and morals in the counties of which our association is a part. We are also concerned with our state, nation, and world.

The greatest problem facing the lives of people today is alcohol. The use of it has resulted in more than fifty percent of the tragic deaths on our highways and has become a very serious health problem in our nation. Television advertising has played up the use of alcohol to the extent that it is no more than taking a drink of water. Pressure groups in our counties and state have determined that whisky and the sale of it will be available by the drink over the counter but praise be to God - these groups suffered defeat this summer in our State Legislature. Our work as Christians is not over. The forces of Satan will try again, and we must defeat them again.

We call on the Baptist people of our churches to renew their covenant commitment to abstain from the sale and use of all intoxicating beverages.

DRUGS

As Christians, we are deeply concerned about the drug problem among our young people and adults in the counties that our Association serves, not only here but everywhere. We can no longer evade this critical situation since there are pushers in our counties who are determined to sell our people short.

I am especially alarmed by the pushers of marijuana. Since it is easily available and is relatively inexpensive, the use of this drug is usually the first step toward more dangerous drugs.

Realizing that the use of drugs is closely connected with crime, we the people of God, must stand as a body of redeemed people to strengthen and support our law enforcement officers as they fight to combat this great problem. I also call upon all our church leaders to alert young and old as well concerning the part they can play in good citizenship at this level.

PORNOGRAPHY

Here is another sore spot in our country which carries with it the result of a corrupt sin-ridden society. It has been said that we remember more of what we see than what we hear. If this is true, we are in for one of the most critical times of our age. The human mind is affected psychologically by all that one sees and hears. Pornography is one of the most difficult problems of our time. No adult or child can be kept safe from its venomous bite. Control of unfit literature is very difficult. We find that everyone is subjected to it - in Grocery stores, shopping centers, book stores, and television shows are full of almost naked men and women without embarrassment or shame. This great show of the human body for sinful purposes has led sinful men to exploit the innocence of children in books and in the porno film industry. I believe that it is high time for God's people to rise up and stand in the gap for God and right, for our children, for ourselves and for our fellow men.

Respectfully submitted,

Ned T. Perkins

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We wish to express our gratitude:

(1) to God for His guidance and grace during these sixty-seven years of the South Mountain Baptist Association;

(2) to Pisgah and Walker's Chapel churches for the use of their facilities and the bountiful meals prepared and served;

(3) to our moderator, Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, and his co-workers for a job well done;

(4) to director of Missions, Rev. Harold Dellinger, for his leadership in the work of the Association. We also offer the following recommendations: (1) that beginning this year and each year hereafter the Annual Minutes be dedicated to a chosen individual(s). Those recommended for this year are, Rev. Edsell Mull and Fred Sain both of whom are recognized for their years of loyal service. This dedication shall be acknowledged by including a photograph and a brief resume of contributions and services, (2) that included each year will be pictures of host churches and pastors with a brief comment, (3) that all messengers and visitors go on record as supporting the "Bold Missions Thrust" through all churches in the Association, and (4) that we go on record as supporting these resolutions and recommendations in their entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Steve Hardin
Rev. Gary Huntsinger
Mrs. Thomas Berry

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CAMP

The Lord continues to work at South Mountain Baptist Camp. He used our staff of 30 to challenge campers who came. Our regular camps had 1,872 attending. Hundreds came in special groups or visited our services. 443 attended from your association. 769 made some kind of decision for Christ.

Because of a strong emphasis on world missions and classes to teach campers to pray we had 1,050 staffers and campers to commit themselves to pray 15 minutes each day for world missions.

Our staff, under the direction of Tom and Marsha Lineberger conducted services in a number of churches on week-ends.

Several churches and memorial gifts have provided four new cottages and remodeled several others.

We are eternally grateful to churches and individuals who have the camp in their budget. Because of this we are able to keep the camp fee low so that more campers may attend.

We owe $3,660.00 on the chapel. We need to finish the ceiling and install the rest of the floor covering in the basement of the chapel.

We are hoping to pave the road to the chapel and the church cottages and repair the old pavement.

We urge churches and individuals to help us to raise $10,000.00 to do this work.

Be sure to pray for us each day.

Attend our School of Prayer, November 12, 1977, 9:30 to 4:00.

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. Lineberger

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT
9-1-76 TO 8-31-77

BALANCE ON HAND 9-1-76	$ 4,492.61
RECEIPTS:	
Miscellaneous	$ 435.88
Baptist State Convention	1,979.00
Berea	1,444.63
Beulah	147.50
Carswell Memorial	185.00
Corinth	392.50
Drowning Creek	96.00
Faith Olive	29.38
Grace & Truth	6.25
Hildebran View	10.00
Hoyle Memorial	4.00
Laurel Haven	100.00
Midway	25.00
Mt. Gilead	15.00
Mt. Hebron	687.50
Mt. Vernon	1,647.10
Mull's Chapel	75.00
Oak Ridge	1,050.00
Olive Grove	123.75
Philadelphia	287.77
Pisgah	135.00
St. John's	100.00
St. Paul	100.00

Shoup's Grove	278.75	
Smart's Grove	10.00	
South Fork	1,067.80	
Tabernacle	20.00	
Walker's Chapel	25.00	
Wilkie's Grove	2,418.29	
Zion Hill	1,211.48	
Zoar	25.00	
Total Receipts	$14,132.58	18,625.19
EXPENSE:		
Missionary's Salary	7,039.94	
Missionary's Travel	939.56	
Missionary's Health Benefit	625.82	
Missionary's Utilities	639.52	
Missionary's Retirement	639.96	
Secretary's Salary	343.20	
Office Payments	1,000.63	
Insurance Office Unit	63.00	
Electricity	167.19	
Telephone	320.38	
Chairs	98.80	
Air Conditioning for Office	828.00	
W. M. U.	250.00	
R. A.'s	116.18	
V. B. S.	15.00	
Church Training	44.86	
Evangelism	6.68	
Minutes	514.49	
Associational Speaker's Fee	25.00	
Postage	148.85	
Miscellaneous Supplies	274.51	
Miscellaneous	17.90	
Missionary's Christmas Gift	50.00	
South Mountain Camp	50.00	
Sunday School Director	200.00	
Clerk's Compensation	250.00	
Treasurer's Compensation	250.00	
Total Expense	$14,919.47	
BALANCE ON HAND 8-30-77		$ 3,705.72

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Upton

STATE MISSIONS

More was taught about the work "Mission", than any other topic in the New Testament.

"Go Ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." Matt. 28: 19-20.

I would like to mention just a few things that State Missions does for our own state. (1) Church Training (2) Brotherhood (3) Deaf Ministry (4) Fruitland Baptist Institute (5) Pastoral Aid (6) Vacation Bible Schools (7)Missions for Migrant Workers.

We want mission minded churches so we must be mission minded individuals.

"Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on Me through their word." John 17:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Newton

STEWARDSHIP

God's gifts to man have many different forms. He gave man many abilities, air to breathe, good health in order to work and earn a living, time(24 hours in a day), food to eat, and many, many more.

All of man's wealth is God's gift.

As God hath prospered a man, so let him give. Regardless of the form of giving, it provides an occasion for enjoyment, for entering into the result of one's labour, and for generous sharing with others.

Respectfully submitted,

By Robert Berry (for Judy Berry)

The Miracle of the Cooperative Program.

Money . . . People . . . and You!

I AM MONEY

a part of your tithes and offerings, from sensitive hearts and dedicated lives, dollars from farm products, from hard hours in a cotton mill, from providing professional services, from fields, factories and offices. I am dedicated money from committed people.

I am special money, for I belong to God, to be used to change the world, to become an aid to salvation. I am money---a lot of dollars...altogether 150 million dollars, sacred dollars given willingly because of love.

But I am more than money, for

I AM PEOPLE

hundreds and thousands of people, like workers in state missions and summer projects, campus ministry, church training and children's homes, students and teachers in colleges, children in camps, and doctors in a healing ministry.

I am more than 2,700 missionaries in 82 foreign countries, and over 2,200

missionaries in our own land, teaching and preaching and healing...a doctor in a remote hospital in Yemen, and a preacher in a little African village in Kenya. I was North Carolina people involved last year in more than 100,000 baptisms and 375 new churches at home and around the world.

I am professors and students in seminaries and colleges, staff and patients in hospitals.

I am people, if I'm anything at all. So that means.....

I AM YOU!

That's really what I am---YOU!

Because you are a new creation in Christ, Paul says, you have been enlisted "in this ministry of reconciliation...He has entrusted us (you) with the message of reconciliation (salvation)." (II Corinthians 5:18-19)

Through the miracle of the Cooperative Program, you are going to the world "with healing for all mankind: (Titus 2:11). You are Good News to the poor, sight to the blind, freedom for prisoners; (see Luke 4:18)

Hope for suffering mankind...Salvation for a dying world.

I AM THE
COOPERATIVE PROGRAM
. . . meaning I am Money; I am People; I am YOU!

I am YOU fulfilling Christ's command: "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation." (Mark 16:15)

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT FOR 1977

The local church is unique in every community in which it serves. 1977 has been a wonderful year for South Mountain Association.

Many of our churches have increased in Sunday School attendance this year. We thank God for the great teachers in Sunday School and their concern for lost souls and a willingness to teach. Dr. Skelton has introduced some wonderful programs to help the Sunday School reach out in the community and enroll people for Bible study. These programs are designed, looking ahead to the future. I believe they will help the church serve with a definite purpose.

Our younger people are looking for this type of program and are getting involved in it. Will you please see to it that they have the opportunity to get involved in action?

Respectfully submitted,

Harold B. Dellinger,
Director of Missions

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT 1978

The Time, Place and Preacher Committee recommend the 1978 session to be held as following:

Time: October 12th and 13th.
Place: First Day. . . . . .Zion Hill
Second Day . . . . . .Mull's Chapel
Preachers: Missionary Message. . . . . .Rev. Joe Edwards
Alternate . . . . . .Rev. Joe Forbes

Doctrinal Message . . . . . .Rev. Thomas Berry
Alternate . . . . . .Rev. Ned Perkins

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ralph Staton
Mrs. Joe Edwards
Rev. Cecil Buff, Chairman

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

When we stop and evaluate the progress made last year by the WMU in our Association, we become concerned because it has been so little.

Last year we had seventeen churches with WMU organizations. This in only about half the churches in our Association. There were ten Mission Friends organizations, twelve Girls in Action, thirteen Acteens, five Baptist Young Women, and fifteen Baptist Women. Our total enrollment was six hundred and twenty five members.

Efforts were made this year to help Drowning Creek organize Baptist women and girls in action work in their church.

An informational and inspirational meeting was held in April at the Mt. Hebron church. The program consisted of special music, a skit, and several points of emphases for WMU work this year. New officers were elected for the 1977-78 associational year. Those to take office were:

WMU Director: Mrs. Frances Melton
Asst. Director: Mrs. Jill Noe
B.W. Director: Mrs. Louise Edwards
BYW Director: Mrs. Joan Edwards
Girls in Action: Mrs. Cora Lee Hildebran
Missions Friends: Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry
Sec. & Treasurer: Mrs. Verona McNeilly

These leaders along with Mrs. Theo Dellinger (wife of our Associational Director of Missions) attended a state WMU Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest in late August. Then on September 26 they led in a workship for church WMU leaders at the Wilkie's Grove church.

The concern of Woman's Missionary Union is to help the church fulfill its mission by emphasizing the importance of missions at home and around the world. It stresses sharing the Gospel of Christ through teaching missions, praying for missions, and giving to missions.

WMU works together with the Sunday School, Church Training, Brotherhood and Music Ministry: and each one has a special and important task to do.

The Associational WMU leadership stands ready to help any church in the Association that needs it in organizing or carrying on the work of WMU in the individual churches. Feel free to call on them when needed.

Appreciation is expressed for these WMU leaders in the churches and the pastors who have been helpful to the work.

Let us hope and pray that more of the women of the South Mountain Association will see the great need around us and become involved for our Lord Jesus Christ. May he lead us in the coming year to go forward with a greater zeal and determination to labor together, that all the ends of the earth shall turn to the Lord; that His way may be made known to all people everywhere, and they will serve the Lord Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

Mavis Fortenberry

ORGANISTS

(Pianist if no Organist)

Abee's Chapel	Mrs. Gail Duckworth, Box 27,Valdese 28690	879-8548
Berea	Mrs. James Wells, Box 311, Icard 37666	397-5775
Beulah	Mrs. Anna Martha Young, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	464-8739
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Debbie Serra, Rt.11,Box477B,Morganton 28655	
Corinth	Bobbie Botts, Rt.1, Casar 28020	538-8873
Drowning Creek		
Faith Olive	Mrs. Louise Bowman, Rt.8,Box 430,Hickory 28601	397-3938
Grace and Truth		
Hildebran View	Mrs. Harold D. Lowman, Hildebran 28637	879-9161
Hoyle Memorial		
Laurel Haven	Ms. Myra Bradshaw, Rt.4,Box 409L,Morganton	433-0677
Midway	Ms. Debbie Reynolds, Rt.8,Box 195,Hickory 28601	294-1650
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Shirley Lail, Rt.1,Connelly Spgs. 28612	
Mt. Hebron	Ms. Mavin Carswell, Rt.3,Box 784,Connelly Spgs.	397-3319
Mt. Vernon	Miss Sue Burton, Rt.2, Vale 28168	
Mt. Zion	Ms. Mary Elizabeth Angle, Rt.1, Lawndale 28090	538-8854
Mull's Chapel	Mrs. Addie McClurd, 813 Rostan St.SE,Valdese	874-2409
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Shirley Lail, Hildebran 28637	
Olive Grove	Mrs. Aileen Spurling, Rt.3, Lawndale 28090	538-7189
Philadelphia	Mrs. Marilyn Brittain, Rt.1,Connelly Spgs.	879-8356
Pisgah	Kenneth Beam, Rt.1, Casar 28020	538-8623
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Hubert Lindsay, Rt.4,Box 318,Morganton	
St. John's	Ms. Hazel Williams, Rt.1, Valdese 28690	
St. Paul	Ms. Bentha Cook, Rt.1, Casar 28020	538-9601
Shoup's Grove	Ms. Linda Wagner, Box 4161,Lngview, Hickory	
Smart's Grove	Ms. Evelyn Lail, Rt.4,Box 387H,Morganton 28655	874-0066
South Fork	Ms. Sherry Huffman, Rt.1,Box 106,Conn.Spgs.	397-3749
Tabernacle	Ms. Marie Towery, Rt.1, Lawndale 28090	
Walker's Chapel	Mrs. Ann Guy, Rt.1, Connelly Springs 28612	433-9489
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Susan Ross, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	397-7224
Zion Hill	Mrs. Adene Hicks, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	538-9861
Zoar	Ms. Brenda Chapman, Rt.1, Casar 28020	538-7843

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Abee's Chapel:	Ralph Abee(I) Rt.1, Connelly Springs 28612 Wayne Floyd(PI) Rt. 2, Box 955E Connelly Springs 28612 Mack Hodge(EP) Rt. 3, Box 627 Spruce Pine 28727
Berea:	Paul Robinson, Box 175, Connelly Springs 28612
Drowning Creek:	Jerry Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory 28601

Mt. Vernon:	Harold Dellinger(AW) Rt. 1, Shelby 28150 Ford Houser(I) Rt. 2, Vale 28168 D. C. Wesson(PI) Rt. 2, Vale 28168
St. John:	Jim R. Brittain, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612
Smart's Grove:	M. M. Smart, Rt. 3, Box 850, Connelly Springs 28612
South Fork:	George Huffman, Box 823, Hildebran 28637
Zion Hill:	T. A. Lineberger, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612

LICENSED MINISTERS

Drowning Creek:	Olin Crafton, Box, Rhodhiss
Mt. Vernon:	Larry Burton, Rt. 2, Vale 28168
Olive Grove:	Donald E. Morrison, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090
St. Paul:	Roy Hastings, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090
South Fork:	Mickey Propst, Rt. 4, Box 778, Hickory 28601
Zion Hill:	Steve Propst, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090

SPECIAL NOTES

Corinth:	The Educational Building was remodeled and a church library was established.
Midway:	The membership felt keenly the loss of two of the charter members; Bobby Freeman and Robert Thorn. Mr. Thorn built the church and placed the cornerstone on April 28, 1974.
Mt. Gilead:	The church erected an Educational Building.
Mt. Hebron:	The new building was dedicated on Dec. 12, 1976. Earnie Taylor was ordained June 26, 1977.
Olive Grove:	New Sunday School rooms and bathrooms were constructed and the dedication service was held on the fourth Sunday in May.
Pleasant Grove:	The church was carpeted. The 100th birthday of the church was Nov. 10, 1976, and a special centennial service was held on Nov. 14.
South Fork:	A dedicational ceremony was held for the new Educational Building.
Tabernacle:	The church as purchased and installed new pews without any indebtedness. The congregation is now buying additional property.
Walker's Chapel:	Dedication services for the new church was held on June 19, 1977.
Zion Hill:	A new fiberglass steeple was installed on the church sanctuary at a cost of $6,100.00.

Statistical Tables

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION 1977

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Clerk: MISS LUCILLE UPTON
Address: Rt. 2 Box 308 City: Vale State: North Carolina Zip: 28168

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES	3 County	4 Year organized as a church	5 Location (1—Open Country; 2—Village (under 500 pop.); 3—Town (500-2499); 4—Small City (2500-9,999); Medium City (10,000-49,999): 5—Downtown, 6—Neighborhood, 7—Suburban; Large City (50,000 or more): 8—Downtown, 9—Neighborhood, 0—Suburban)	13 * Services held twice on Sunday? Y	13 * Services held twice on Sunday? N	14 Total Baptisms	15 Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	16 Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	17 Present resident members	18 Present nonresident members	19 Grand total present members	20 No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	24 No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	25 Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	26 Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
Abee's Chapel	Buren Hastings, Box 157, Valdese 28690	Burke	1886	1	x		4	2	3	240	121	361	0	0	40000	110000	0
Berea	Gwyn Sullivan, Rt. 2, Box 1098, Connelly Spr. 28612	Burke	1947	1	x		8	2	7	359	25	384	0	2	33000	194000	55012
Beulah	Gary Huntsinger, Rt. 1, Box 235, Shelby 28150	Catawba	1905	1	x		17	8	4	96	74	170	2	0		75000	0
Carswell Memorial	Ned Perkins, Rt. 12, Box 94, Morganton 28655	Burke	1938	1	x		8	4	3	116	15	131	0	0		85000	0
Corinth	Cecil Buff, Box 576, Lawndale 28090	Cleveland	1884	1	x		5	14	19	289	28	317	0	0		112805	0
Drowning Creek	Norris Brittain, Rt. 3, Box 526, Conn. Spr. 28612	Burke	1952	1	x		7	6	17	33	31	64	0	0		35000	0
Faith Olive	Barry Lafone, Rt. 2, Box 109, Hickory 28601	Catawba	1965	2	x		0	12	0	93	30	123	0	0		65000	0
Grace and Truth																	
Hildebran View	Stanley T. Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273, Conn. Sp. 28612	Burke	1946	1		x	3	7	0	36	39	75	0	0			
Hoyle Memorial	R. A. Brackett, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1968	1	x		0	0	0	28	0	28	0	0		12800	0
Laurel Haven	Clyde Houston, Box 3, Icard 28666	Burke	1971	1	x		0	2	0	23	7	30	0	0		25000	0
Midway	Lex Wright, Rt. 8, Box 646, Hickory 28601	Burke	1956	1	x		0	0	5	127	6	133	0	0		73000	
Mt. Calvary																	
Mt. Gilead	Ottis Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Burke	1830	1		x	3	4	0	127	48	175	0	0		90000	12000
Mt. Hebron		Burke	1870	1	x		45	9	6	306	84	390	1	0	43000	477000	134275
Mt. Vernon	Jerry Bryant, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	Lincoln	1840	1	x		12	5	5	267	89	356	2	2	30000	250000	0
Mt. Zion	Z. W. Settlemyer, Box 296, Cherryville 28021	Cleveland	1848	1		x	0	0	107	40	31	71	1	0		30000	0
Mull's Chapel	Steve Harden, Rt. 1, Box 270, Connelly Springs 28612	Catawba	1871	1	x		4	8	6	72	25	97	0	0	50000	100000	0
Oak Ridge	Edsel Mull, Rt. 2, Box 1040, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1843	1	x		4	3	4	335	0	335	0	0	38000	225000	0
Olive Grove	Robert L. Beck, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1884	1		x	2	3	6	200	74	274	0	0	59000	180000	42152
Philadelphia	W. E. Keller, Rt. 7, Box 409, Hickory 28601	Burke	1952	1			0	6	9	80	35	115	0	0		60000	0
Pisgah	Joe R. Edwards, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1840	1		x	10	0	5	183	28	211	0	1	45000	200000	0
Pleasant Grove	John H. Smart, Rt. 1, Box 347, Connelly Spr. 28612	Burke	1876	1		x	2	1	6	122	20	142	0	0		75000	0
St. John's	James Bumgarner, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1842	1	x		6	5	3	189	10	199	0	0	40000	110000	0
St. Paul	Joe Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1860	1		x	0	3	7	269	151	420	0	0	35000	155000	0
Shoup's Grove	Robert Harold Ashe, Box 240, Icard 28666	Burke	1892	1	x		0	1	10	254	40	294	0	1	25000	125000	0
Smart's Grove		Burke	1935	1	x		7	7	1				0	0	50000	70000	0
South Fork	Ray Woody, Rt. 4, Box 777K, Hickory 28601	Burke	1937	1	x		8	2	4	161	20	181	0	1	25000	155000	42583
Tabernacle	John Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1970	1	x		17	0	5	45	2	47	0	0		14000	2000
Walker's Chapel	Harold Kanupp, Rt. 3, Box 888, Connelly Spr. 28612	Burke	1915	1		x	1	1	3	107	0	107	0	0		140000	33894
Wilkie's Grove	Ralph Staton, Rt. 4, Box 470, Hickory 28601	Burke	1896	1	x		15	4	4	264	39	303	1	0	25000	200000	17000
Zion Hill	Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	Cleveland	1859	1	x		4	3	5	283	53	336	1	0	25000	100000	3000
Zoar		Cleveland	1937	1	x		6	13	37	29	27	56	2	0		80000	0
	TOTALS				22	8	198	135	291	4737	1113	5850	10	7	563000	3623605	341916

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL 1977

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Sunday School Director: REV. JERRY BRYANT
Address: Rt. 4 Box 273 City: Vale State: North Carolina Zip: 28168

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	54 Cradle Roll enrolment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	57 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	58 Young Adult enrolment Single (18-29 years or H. S. graduation through 29 years)	59 Young Adult enrolment Married (18-29 years or H. S. graduation through 29 years)	60 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	61 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	62 Adults Away enrolment	63 Homebound enrolment	64 General officers enrolment	65 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	66 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	67 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	68 Number of Bible Study groups	69 Bible Study groups enrolment	70 Weekday Bible Study enrolment	71 Church V. B. S. enrolment	72 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	73 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourglea, Rt. 1, Box 358C, Conn. Sp. 28612	12	24	29	53	6	20	59	64	0	0	3	0	270	236	0	0	0	110	0	110
Berea	Charlie Townsend, Rt. 3, Box 506, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	33	54	58	10	47	30	41	0	0	3	0	276	121	0	0	0	106	0	106
Beulah	Evan Rhoney, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	0	15	10	11	5	14	26	14	0	0	2	0	97	80	0	0	0	85	0	85
Carswell Memorial	Henry Carswell, Rt. 11, Box 477B, Morganton 28655	0	10	17	9	8	16	28	14	0	0	3	0	105	60	0	0	0	34	0	34
Corinth	Bobby Downs, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	14	32	37	21	24	39	28	41	0	0	2	0	238	150	0	0	0	94	0	94
Drowning Creek		1	10	18	26	4	5	22	2	0	0	3	0	91	34	0	0	0	49	0	49
Faith Olive	Grady C. Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	1	24	18	16	0	8	20	6	30	0	0	0	123	64	2	26	2	78	0	78
Grace and Truth																					
Hildebran View	Keith T. Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273A, Conn. Spr. 28612	2	0	7	5	33	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	63	45	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoyle Memorial	Robert Hoyle, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	1	4	0	5	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	16	16	0	0	0	33	0	33
Laurel Haven	Jim Hoyle, Rt. 4, Box 409X, Morganton 28655	1	0	2	4	4	6	7	5	1	0	2	0	32	15	0	0	0	27	0	27
Midway	Ray Weaver, Rt. 2, Box 637, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	11	12	13	6	13	7	15	0	3	0	80	45	0	0	0	54	0	54
Mt. Calvary																					
Mt. Gilead	Walter Smith, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	5	7	12	16	16	22	15	14	12	1	7	0	127	90	0	0	0	55	0	55
Mt. Hebron	Maynard Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 639, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	48	79	40	8	18	75	25	0	0	4	0	297	175	0	0	0	141	0	141
Mt. Vernon	Arnold Sain, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	8	6	32	23	20	20	50	31	2	5	5	0	202	150	0	0	0	78	0	78
Mt. Zion	Buland Short, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	2	11	8	5	0	0	16	0	0	0	2	0	44	32	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mull's Chapel	Martin Ayers, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	3	7	13	5	1	14	21	8	0	0	0	0	72	57	0	0	0	69	0	69
Oak Ridge	Commodore Enloe, Hildebran	0	40	49	73	40	0	62	17	0	0	5	0	286	175	0	0	0	128	0	128
Olive Grove	Mr. Hazel Walker, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	13	35	24	8	12	26	29	0	0	3	0	150	119	0	0	0	115	0	115
Philadelphia	Johnny Chambers, Rt. 7, Box 275, Hickory 28601	0	9	17	8	4	8	22	5	0	0	5	0	78	64	1	35	0	43	0	43
Pisgah	Don Elliott, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	10	19	22	26	16	16	15	20	0	0	4	0	148	89	0	0	0	85	0	85
Pleasant Grove	Bruce Martin, Rt. 1, Box 225, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	10	25	20	3	22	32	10	0	0	0	0	122	90	1	20	0	49	0	49
St. John's	Donald Hoyle, Rt. 8, Box 444, Hickory 28601	11	8	31	16	5	9	43	22	0	0	0	0	145	125	0	0	0	70	0	70
St. Paul	Max Cooke, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	12	25	10	26	24	38	22	0	0	6	0	163	117	0	0	0	49	0	49
Shoup's Grove	Tony Kiser, Box 89, Icard 28666	0	32	49	28	9	23	45	30	0	0	10	0	226	122	0	0	0	111	0	111
Smart's Grove	Larry Mace, Rt. 1, Box 110B, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	32	11	14	7	23	36	5	0	1	1	0	130	97	0	0	0	86	0	86
South Fork	John Munday, 407 26th St., SW Hickory 28601	0	22	47	8	10	12	26	0	0	0	7	0	132	110	0	0	0	156	0	156
Tabernacle	Johnny Matthews, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	5	12	12	0	13	3	2	0	0	0	0	47	40	0	0	0	40	0	40
Walker's Chapel	Shub Carswell, Rt. 4, Morganton 28655	0	8	20	10	10	33	17	15	0	0	0	0	113	63	0	0	0	45	0	45
Wilkie's Grove	Donald Brittain, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	40	45	34	15	16	89	25	0	0	6	0	270	161	0	0	0	95	0	95
Zion Hill	Warren Yancey, Rt. 3, Box 250, Lawndale 28090	9	34	42	38	14	45	45	42	0	0	4	0	273	177	0	0	0	81	0	81
Zoar	Phillip A. Lail, Rt. 3, Box 27, Lawndale 28090	0	3	5	1	0	5	7	3	1	0	5	0	30	27	0	0	18	40	0	40
	TOTALS	79	515	786	626	324	500	934	519	61	7	95	0	4446	2946	4	81	20	2206	0	2206

TABLE C TRAINING UNION 1977

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Training Union Director

Address City State Zip

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	74 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	75 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	76 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	77 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	78 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	79 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	80 General officers enrolment	81 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	82 Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	83 New Member Registration: Children	84 New Member Registration: Youth	85 New Member Registration: Adult	86 Church Leader Training Registration	87 Short Term Member Training Project Registration	88 Average weekly Church Training attendance
Berea		19	21	23	9	20	15	2	0	109	0	0	0	0	0	60
Beulah	Frances Huntsinger, Rt. 1, Box 235, Shelby 28150	3	3	9	10	12	4	4	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	32
Carswell Memorial	Fred Butler, Rt. 11, Box 477, Morganton 28655	2	3	7	8	12	3	2	0	37	0	0	0	0	0	25
Mt. Hebron	Phillip Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 622, Connelly Spr. 28612	10	28	18	0	26	8	2	0	92	0	0	0	0	0	75
Mt. Vernon	Dale Wise, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	5	15	14	17	15	1	3	0	70	0	0	0	0	0	42
Oak Ridge	Terry Childers, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	5	27	24	20	11	7	2	0	96	0	0	0	0	0	59
Pisgah	Rev. Joe Edwards, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	4	5	6	2	12	1	1	0	31	3	2	5	0	0	22
St. Paul	Bentha Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	6	7	37	15	7	0	1	0	73	0	0	0	0	0	34
Shoup's Grove	Dale Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory 28601	7	26	11	8	33	0	3	0	88	18	5	9	0	0	44
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Frances Melton, Rt. 8, Box 308, Hickory 28601	11	12	7	26	20	0	3	0	79	0	0	0	0	2	30
Zion Hill	Dale Sain, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	13	16	15	12	18	0	0	0	74	0	0	0	0	0	50
	TOTALS	85	163	171	127	186	39	23	0	794	21	7	14	0	2	473

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC 1977		89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN State: NORTH CAROLINA Associational Music Director: KENNETH F. SAIN Address: Rt. 2 City: Vale State: North Carolina Zip: 28168		Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Handbell ringers enrolment	Vocal ensembles enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General music leaders enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrolment
CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES												
Abee's Chapel	Ronder Crawford, Rt. 1, Box 42, Valdese 28690	10	8	18	42	0	0	0	6	0	84	60	0
Berea	Robert Berry, Rt. 2, Box 955V4, Connelly Springs 28612	0	8	15	18	0	0	0	4	0	45	35	0
Beulah	Mrs. Brenda White, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	1	5	10	18	0	8	2	2	0	46	25	0
Carswell Memorial	Rick Sain, Rt. 3, Box 180-A, Vale 28168	0	4	6	12	0	8	3	3	0	36	20	0
Corinth	Donald McNeilly, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	9	10	20	0	0	0	0	0	39	25	0
Drowning Creek	Myrtis Brittain, Rt. 3, Box 526, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Faith Olive	Mrs. Geraldine Hudspath, Rt. 8, Box 455, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grace and Truth													
Hildebran View	Mrs. Henry C. Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 273A, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoyle Memorial		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Haven	Lela Hoyle, Rt. 4, Box 409-X, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	1	0	9	0	0
Midway	Mrs. Denise Sigmon, Box 955, Hickory 28601	0	0	9	12	0	0	0	2	0	23	15	0
Mt. Calvary													
Mt. Gilead	Ruthie Parker, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	2	0	27	20	0
Mt. Hebron	Harry Mull, Rt. 4, Box 829, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	2	0	25	20	0
Mt. Vernon	Omar Hoyle, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	0	8	7	24	0	0	0	2	0	41	25	0
Mt. Zion		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mull's Chapel	Wayne Haneline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oak Ridge	Terry Childers, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	1	0	26	18	0
Olive Grove	Mrs. Daphene McNeilly, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	4	5	12	18	0	0	0	2	0	41	41	0
Philadelphia	Alvin Brittain, 1011 30th St., SW Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pisgah	Mrs. Robert Beam, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	5	6	15	0	0	0	2	0	28	28	0
Pleasant Grove	Hubert H. Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 318, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. John's	Betty Huffman, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Paul	Claude Cooke, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	7	12	12	0	0	0	2	0	33	25	0
Shoup's Grove	Callie Townsend, Box 792, Hickory 28601	0	4	15	15	0	0	2	2	0	38	32	0
Smart's Grove	Alberta Crawley, Rt. 6, Box 298, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Fork		0	0	7	20	0	0	0	0	0	27	27	0
Tabernacle	Mae Tessneer, Rt. 1, Box 278, Vale 28168	0	4	10	0	0	0	0	2	0	16	16	0
Walker's Chapel	J. C. Bradley, Rt. 4, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilkie's Grove	Harold Cantrell, Rutherford College	8	15	0	30	0	5	0	6	0	64	48	0
Zion Hill	Kenneth F. Sain, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	0	0	6	20	0	0	3	5	0	34	25	0
Zoar	Jim Mauney, Box 1664, Shelby 28150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTALS	23	82	143	349	0	26	13	46	0	682	505	0

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION 1977		101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115
Association SOUTH MOUNTAIN		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
State NORTH CAROLINA																
Associational WMU Director MRS. FRANCES MELTON																
Address Rt. 8 Box 308	City Hickory / State North Carolina / Zip 28601	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total WMU ongoing enrolment
CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES															
Abee's Chapel	Mrs. Mildred Crawford, Rt. 1, Box 42, Valdese 28690	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	8	11	12	11	18	4	0	64
Beulah	Mrs. Aline Huffman, Rt. 7, Hickory 28601	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	5	0	11	0	11	5	0	32
Carswell Memorial	Isabell Butler, Rt. 11, Box 477, Morganton 28655	1	0	1	1	1	0	4	2	0	5	6	7	3	0	23
Corinth	Ethel Downs, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	12	0	4	0	16
Drowning Creek	Dorothy Munday, Rt. 3, Box 525B, Connelly Spr. 28612	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	5	1	2	0	15	1	0	24
Midway	Mrs. Ray Weaver, Rt. 2, Box 637, Connelly Spr. 28612	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	2	0	7	0	12	7	2	30
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Barbara Smith, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	5	7	3	0	15
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. Verona McNeilly, Rt. 3, Box 686, Conn. Spr. 28612	2	1	1	1	1	0	6	15	20	12	10	10	5	0	72
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Alton Heavner, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	5	6	6	0	24	3	0	44
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Sue Evans, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	4	10	12	8	9	8	0	51
Pisgah	Mrs. Don Elliott, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	10	12	15	0	8	1	0	46
St. John's	Brenda Hinegardner, Rt. 4, Box 473A, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	22
St. Paul	Mrs. Lussie Willis, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	1	8	8	0	4	0	0	21
Shoup's Grove	Selma Ledford, 12 28th St., NW, Hickory 28601	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	3	7	10	10	20	3	0	53
South Fork		0	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	29	6	0	0	0	0	35
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Lana Smith, Rt. 8, Hickory 28601	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	0	15	0	15	10	3	0	43
Zion Hill	Mrs. Alvin Cook, Rt. 4, Box 286, Vale 28168	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	5	7	10	0	15	1	0	38
	TOTALS	13	12	13	8	15	0	61	65	126	116	77	194	51	2	629

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD		1977	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125
Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN State: NORTH CAROLINA Associational Brotherhood Director: JOE GOFORTH Address: Rt. 1 City: Casar State: North Carolina Zip: 28020			Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	RA director and committee	Baptist Men enrolment (18 and over)	Other Baptist Men Groups	Brotherhood director and Other Brotherhood General Officers	Enrolment of Mission (s) of Church	Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment	Other Boys involved in Mission activities	Miscellaneous Baptist Men
CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES											
Abee's Chapel	Gary Mourglea, Rt. 1, Box 358C, Connelly Spr. 28612		12	9	0	0	0	2	18	41	0	0
Berea			3	10	1	0	0	0	0	14	0	0
Carswell Memorial	David Lewis, Rt. 11, Box 477A, Morganton 28655		3	2	0	7	0	1	0	13	0	0
Drowning Creek	Dan Munday, Rt. 3, Box 525B, Connelly Springs 28612		0	0	7	8	0	0	0	15	0	0
Mt. Hebron	Denny Harbinson, Rt. 3, Box 700, Connelly Spr. 28612		20	10	6	14	0	1	0	51	0	0
Mt. Vernon	Ford Houser, Rt. 2, Vale 28168		7	9	5	20	0	1	0	42	0	0
Oak Ridge	Max White, Rt. 7, Hickory 28601		11	10	4	18	10	3	0	56	0	0
Pisgah	Buddy Oliver, Rt. 1, Casar 28020		14	8	2	0	0	0	0	24	0	0
St. Paul	Joe Goforth, Rt. 1, Casar 28020		3	12	5	38	0	3	0	61	0	0
Shoup's Grove	Wayne Collins, Rt. 2, Box 805A, Connelly Spr. 28612		10	7	3	7	0	1	0	28	0	0
South Fork	Wayne Propst		22	0	4	0	0	0	0	26	0	0
Wilkie's Grove	Ray Melton, Rt. 8, Box 308, Hickory 28601		5	4	2	0	0	0	0	11	0	0
Zion Hill	Edward McCurry, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090		0	10	2	20	0	1	0	33	0	0
	TOTALS		110	91	41	132	10	13	18	415	0	0

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP 1977

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Treasurer: MISS DORIS UPTON
Address: Rt. 2 Box 308 | City: Vale | State: North Carolina | Zip: 28168

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES	21 Number of tithers	22 Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	23 Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	27 Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year. Simplified	Stewardship Revival	Committed to Tithe	Forward Program	Alt. Forward Program	None	126 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	127 All other receipts	128 Total receipts	129 Money borrowed during the year	130 Church staff salaries	131 Money paid out on new construction during the year	132 Debt retirement during the year	133 Church literature	134 All other local expenditures	135 Total local expenditures
Abee's Chapel	Ulen Lowman, Box 27, Valdese 28690	86								x	66471	914	67385		10455	4107		537	24413	39512
Berea	Russell Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 259, Valdese 28690	50	15	3						x	50870	238	51108		12616		9683	2140	26669	51108
Beulah	Anna Martha Young, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	26	2	2			x				13576	775	14351		6485			452	3992	10929
Carswell Memorial	Versie Carswell, Rt. 4, Box 359, Morganton 28655	15	2							x	16411		16411		9744	1840		485	2777	14846
Corinth	Jeanette Allen, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	36								x	30810	419	31229		11786	7805		1130	5162	25883
Drowning Creek	C. P. Elliott, Gen. Del., Longview, Hickory 28601	8								x	5922		5922		2410			521		2931
Faith Olive	Mrs. Gladys Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	23								x	8574	2533	11107		4470		1567	664	2309	9010
Grace and Truth																				
Hildebran View	Mrs. Sandra Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273A, Conn. Sp. 28612									x	2402	1017	3419						2866	2866
Hoyle Memorial	Mrs. R. A. Brackett, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	4								x	2761		2761						1994	1994
Laurel Haven	Jessie Riddle, Rt. 4, Box 409-K2, Morganton 28655	7						x			5746		5746		1300	4764		64	300	6428
Midway	Joseph Beaver, Rt. 7, Box 5, Hickory 28601	21								x	7939	546	8485		6396			422	1499	8317
Mt. Calvary																				
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Carrie Buff, Rt. 1, Connelly Spr. 28612	6								x	32709	417	33126	16000	1776	18000	2000	174	2100	24050
Mt. Hebron	Dottie Lowman, Rt. 3, Box 692, Conn. Sp. 28612	80	10	10W					x		61518	630	62148	150000	9113	137265	15724	4171	15375	181648
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Nancy Hendrick, Westgate Dr., Cherryville 28021	39	15	5					x		41675	190	41865		13800			1625	16314	31739
Mt. Zion	Kevin Parker, Rt. 1, Casar 28020		14.5					x			4992		4992		2361			146	1065	3572
Mull's Chapel		10								x	21417	30	21447	3500	8835		236	246	10245	19562
Oak Ridge	Betty Sherrill, 319 Harris Ave., Valdese 28690	50	8	2			x				60375	501	60876	5000	10037	18106	7102	2419	15300	52964
Olive Grove	Mrs. Kathy Lemmons, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28690	17								x	29406	776	30182	50100	8345	14007	10461	269	8098	41180
Philadelphia	Mrs. Helen Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 288, Conn. Sp. 28612	26		2						x	14475	240	14715		8593			406	2062	11061
Pisgah	Mrs. Troy Warlick, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	20	10	6						x	28600		28600		12000		7500	800	4000	24300
Pleasant Grove	Hubert Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 318, Morganton 28655	12								x	15144		15144		3715			422	8519	12656
St. John's	Gerald Huffman, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	21								x	24618		24618		11065	1134		879	526	13604
St. Paul	Delbert Walker, Box 13, Fallston 28042	20								x	30287		30287		6500		7934	1397	7315	23146
Shoup's Grove	Maggie Huffman, Box 321, Hildebran 28637	56								z	41168		41168		9994		15846	1284	10003	37127
Smart's Grove	Mabel Lowman, Rt. 3, Box 890, Conn. Sp. 28612	50						x			26642		26642		7970			364	4215	12549
South Fork	Marie Eckard, Rt. 4, Box 792B, Hickory 28601	57	9	3						x	37286		37286		9735	10167	10724	1166	9718	41510
Tabernacle	Nell Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	8								x	2400		2400	1000	220	2626	1900	126	261	5133
Walker's Chapel	Gene Huffman, Rt. 4, Morganton 28655	10								x	25363		25363	35000	4340	103498	2660	202	2418	113118
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Dolly Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	45	10.5	5						x	51781		51781	2500	15395		5200	2553	7559	30707
Zion Hill	Mrs. Linda B. Cook, Rt. 2, Box 221, Lawndale 28090	40	7	3	x						38967		38967	3000	15390	6101	343	1318	17561	40713
Zoar	Phillip A. Lail, Rt. 3, Box 27, Lawndale 28090	24								x	8457		8457	2000	2000		1500	186	3807	7493
	TOTALS	867			1	0	2	3	2	23	808762	9226	817988	268100	226846	329420	100380	26568	218442	901656

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES 1977

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Director of Associational Missions: REV. HAROLD DELLINGER
Address: Rt. 1 | City: Shelby | State: North Carolina | Zip: 28150

136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150
Church Sponsored Missions				OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC For. Mis. (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated SBC Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: SBC Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: SBC Hospitals	Designated: SBC Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temp. League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES														
Abee's Chapel	Ivey E. Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 42, Valdese 28690	700	2400	3100	0	175	50	550	2874		100	150	150		4049	7149
Berea	Mrs. Ralph Townsend, Rt. 3, Connelly Spr. 28612				6857	1432	71	429	1061	687	76	97	74	1052	4979	11836
Beulah	Mrs. Peggie Houser, Rt. 1, Box 126B, Conn. Spr. 28612		53	53	619	120	24		21		9	15			189	861
Carswell Memorial	Sarah Carswell, Rt. 11, Box 469, Morganton 28655				144	185	71	75	600		102	70		132	1235	1379
Corinth	Leonard Newton, Rt. 1, Casar 28020				720	392	379	436	721	141	523	405		1462	4459	5179
Drowning Creek	Viola Elliott, Gen. Del. Longview, Hickory 28601															
Faith Olive	Gladys L. Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601				94	29					28		29	602	688	782
Grace and Truth																
Hildebran View	Mrs. H. L. Lowman, Rt. 1, Bx. 273A, Conn. Springs 28612										50				50	50
Hoyle Memorial	Vasco Price, Rt. 3, Box 275, Lawndale 28090															
Laurel Haven	Myra Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Box 409L, Morganton 28655				115	100	19		162		35	18	32		366	481
Midway	Mrs. Connie Wright, Rt. 2, Box 595D, Conn. Spr. 29612															
Mt. Calvary																
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Iva Rhoney, Rt. 1, Box 221R, Conn. Spr. 28612				35						35	100	25		160	195
Mt. Hebron	Shirley Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 639, Conn. Spr. 28612				5529	520		820	1182		111		49	557	3239	8768
Mt. Vernon	Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale 28168				4995	1647	68	231	2179	94	211	84	112		4626	9621
Mt. Zion	Sam Proctor, Rt. 1, Lawndale 28090				200	65	66				50	46		29	256	456
Mull's Chapel	Wanda Haneline, Rt. 2, Box 252, Lawndale 28090					75			307	0	50	50	21	112	615	615
Oak Ridge	Sharon Wycoff, Rt. 2, Box 329, Conn. Spr. 28612				6588	1275	200	1234	1432	266	200	150	200	3000	7957	14545
Olive Grove	Mrs. Howard Walker, Rt. 1, Box 212, Casar 28020					50					80	21		200	351	351
Philadelphia	Mrs. Sadie Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 128B, Conn. Spr. 28612				98	275			110		71	50	50	540	1096	1194
Pisgah	Mrs. Austin Pruett, Rt. 1, Casar 28020				1761	100	52	210	324		7	15		877	1585	3346
Pleasant Grove	Carl W. Powell, Rt. 4, Box 312A, Morganton 28655				30						50	141		337	528	558
St. John's	Brenda Hinegardner, Rt. 4, Box 473A, Hickory 28601								552			300			852	852
St. Paul	Worth Willis, Rt. 1, Casar 28020				475				356					754	1110	1585
Shoup's Grove	Jane Paige, Rt. 4, Box 812A, Hickory 28601				1018	260	200	88	1116		250	40	30	1039	3023	4041
Smart's Grove	Rita Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 110B, Connelly Spr. 28612													1915	1915	1915
South Fork	Mrs. Audrey Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 767, Hickory 28601				3000	1000			133		185			338	1656	4656
Tabernacle	Mar Tessneer, Rt. 1, Box 278, Vale 28168															
Walker's Chapel	Mrs. Faye Peeler, Rt. 1, Connelly Spr. 28612										50		32	951	1033	1033
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Pearl Chapman, Rt. 4, Box 332, Hickory 28601				5436	2588	69	251	1292		191	148	63		4602	10038
Zion Hill	Mrs. Alvin Cook, Rt. 4, Box 286, Vale 28168				1949	1211	98	104	922	3	64	65	115		2582	4531
Zoar	Mary Walker, Box 97, Casar 28020					25	23		67		34	21	25	18	213	213
	TOTALS	700	2453	3153	39663	11524	1390	4428	15411	1191	2562	1986	1007	13915	53414	96230

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION 1977

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Moderator: REV. GWYN SULLIVAN
Address: Rt. 2, Box 1089 | City: Connelly Springs | State: North Carolina | Zip: 28612

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES	28 No. church-type missions started during the year	29 No. church-type missions currently operating	30 No. other-type missions started during the year	31 No. other-type missions currently operating	32 Mentally retarded enrollment in Sunday School	33 Deaf enrollment in Sunday School	34 Number adult Sunday School Classes	35 Bus Attendance	36 Day care enrollment	37 Kindergarten enrollment	38 Number participating in youth trip	Does church have, observe, plan, use, etc.? Y=Yes N=No: 39 Library	40 Planning major new bldg. or remodeling project	41 Radio/TV spot	42 January Bible Study	43 SS Leadership Preparation Week	44 ACTION	45 Deacon Family Ministry Plan	46 Language-culture group	47 New Baptist Hymnal	48 Video cassette player	49 Lay Renewal or Ministry Evangelism Weekend	50 Baptist Men's Day	51 Christian Citizenship Sunday	52 Bapt. Sem., Colleges, and Schools Day	53 State paper in budget
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourglea, Rt. 1, Box 358C, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	0	0	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
Berea	Larry Toney, Box 262, Icard 28666	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	18	0	0	0	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N
Beulah	L. E. Willis, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
Carswell Memorial	James B. Smith, Rt. 4, Box 266L, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Corinth	J. L. Newton, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Drowning Creek	Grover Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	17	0	0	0	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Faith Olive	Grady C. Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Grace and Truth																											
Hildebran View	Haywood Hoyle, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Hoyle Memorial	Vasco Price, Rt. 3, Box 275, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Laurel Haven	Jim Hoyle, Rt. 4, Box 409X, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N
Midway	Joseph Beaver, Rt. 7, Box 5, Hickory 28601	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
Mt. Calvary																											
Mt. Gilead	Ronald Rhoney, Rt. 1, Box 221R, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mt. Hebron	Auby Burns, Rt. 3, Box 788, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N
Mt. Vernon	Paul Leatherman, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y
Mt. Zion	Buland Short, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y
Mull's Chapel	Ed Keller	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Oak Ridge	Dennis Seagle, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	20	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y
Olive Grove	Mr. Hazel Walker, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Philadelphia	Alvin Brittain, 1011 30th St. SW Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pisgah	J. C. Buff, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	25	0	0	0	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Pleasant Grove	James Martin, Rt. 1, Box 225, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
St. John's	Lester Hartman, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
St. Paul	Earl Morrison, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
Shoup's Grove	Grady Propst, Box 35, Icard 28666	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	15	0	0	0	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N
Smart's Grove	Larry Harmon, Rt. 4, Box 387, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
South Fork	John Munday, 407 26th St., SW, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	35	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Tabernacle	Floyd Terry, Polkville	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Walker's Chapel	Alex Huffman, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Wilkie's Grove	Bill Clark, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	30	0	0	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
Zion Hill	Warren Yancey, Rt. 3, Box 250, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
Zoar	Lester Lail, Rt. 3, Box 278, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
	TOTALS	1	1	1	1	1	0	119	136	30	0	33															

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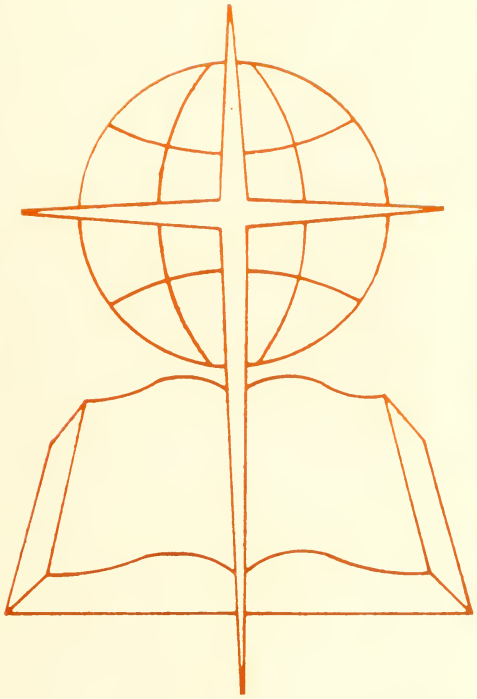

South Mountain Baptist Association North Carolina

1978

Minutes

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SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

Sixty-Eighth Annual Session

First Day ..... *Zion Hill*
Second Day ..... *Mull's Chapel*

October 12 - 13, 1978

1979 Session Will Be Held On Thursday and Friday After The Second Sunday In October
October 18 - 19

First Day ..... *St. Paul*
Second Day ..... *Carswell Memorial*

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In recognition and appreciation of their service to the South Mountain Baptist Association, the Nominating Committee recommended that the 1978 Annual be dedicated jointly to Doris and Lucille Upton.

DORIS UPTON

A graduate of Gardner-Webb College (A.A. Degree)

Served as Treasurer of the South Mountain Baptist Association since 1959.

Member of the Associational Missions Committee, 1974-1978.

Active in local church (Mt. Vernon), having filled positions in Sunday School, Church Training, and Missions organizations.

LUCILLE UPTON

Graduate of Appalachian State University with B.S., M.A. and Ed. S. Degrees.

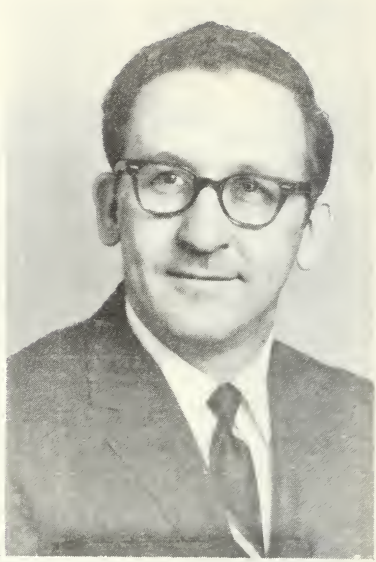
Served as Clerk, Sunday School teacher, Church Training leader, W.M.U. officer, and V.B.S. worker at Mt. Vernon.

Attended State W.M.U. Workshop and led in local leadership conference.

Attended State V.B.S. Clinic and led in Associational V.B.S. Clinics.

Held the positions of Secretary-Treasurer, and Mission Study Chairman in Associational W.M.U.

Served as Associational Clerk since 1966.



ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

In 1859 a church was organized at the junction of Burke, Lincoln, and Cleveland Counties and was called "Three County Corners Baptist Church." The location of the present structure gives it the distinction of being half in Burke County and half in Cleveland.

Starting as an original brush arbor meeting place, through a series of changes and additions, the present building was constructed in 1950. The growth of the membership from a few to now over 300 is indicative of the continuous progress and dedication of this congregation. A special highlight of the church's history was the observance of its centennial celebration in 1959.

As the membership increased and the program of the church expanded, the member met the challenge for enlarged and improved facilities by voluntarily pledging financial support for each proposed improvement. Their generous giving has kept the church basically debt free throughout its existence.

With the beautiful South Mountains in the background and the rolling hillside surrounding the church site, Zion Hill beckons all who will to enter, worship, and fellowship in God's house. Rev. Thomas Berry is pastor of the church.

MULL'S CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Land and money bequeathed by Ezra Mull (1827 - 1865) led to the organization of a church in 1871 known as Ezra Mull's Chapel. In 1898 a second church was built on almost the same location as the original building.

In 1924 Captain Pete Mull left funds and land which led to the construction of the present building on the site which is a little south of the original church. The name was changed to Mull's Chapel, honoring the two benefactors. The structure has continued to house the congregation, but growth and expansion of the church ministry led to the addition of a new sanctuary in 1954. A pastorium located east of the church was built in 1965. The regular pastor resigned during the current year, and Rev. Mike Woods is now serving as interim pastor.

Associational Directory

Moderator	Rev. Ned Perkins, Rt. 12, Box 94, Morganton	28655	433-6055
Vice Moderator	Rev. Dean Coffey, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9872
Clerk	Miss Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale	28168	276-2114
Treasurer	Miss Doris Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale	28168	276-2114
Sunday School Director	Rev. Ralph Gouge, Rt. 3, Box 702, Connelly Springs	28612	392-3748
Church Training Director	Jerry Buff, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	
Brotherhood Director	Joe Goforth, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9556
R. A. Director	Edward McCurry, Rt. 3, Lawndale	28090	
WMU Director	Mrs. Frances Melton, Rt. 8, Box 304, Hickory	28601	397-6245
VBS Director	To Be Chosen by The SS Director		
Music Director	Kenneth Sain, Rt. 2, Vale	28168	276-1372
Pianist	Mrs. Joe Edwards, 764 Lowery St., Shelby	28150	482-6568
Historian	Miss Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale	28168	276-2114
Director of Associational Missions	Rev. Joe Edwards, 764 Lowery St., Shelby	28150	482-6568

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Carswell Memorial	Rev. Ned Perkins
Mt. Zion	Rev. Dean Coffey
Mt. Vernon	Miss Lucille Upton
Mt. Vernon	Miss Doris Upton
Mt. Hebron	Rev. Ralph Gouge
St. Paul	Jerry Buff
St. Paul	Joe Goforth
Wilkies Grove	Mrs. Frances Melton Edward McCurry
Zion Hill	Kenneth Sain
Pisgah	Mrs. Joe Edwards
Pisgah	Rev. Joe Edwards

PASTORS

Abee's Chapel	Buren Hastings, Box 157, Valdese	28690	874-8464
Berea	Gwyn Sullivan, Rt. 1, Box 1098, Connelly Springs	28612	879-8713
Beulah			
Carswell Memorial	Ned Perkins, Rt. 12, Box 94, Morganton	28655	433-6055
Corinth	Cecil Buff, Box 576, Lawndale	28090	538-8652
Drowning Creek	Norris Brittain, Rt. 3, Box 526, Connelly Springs	28612	879-9468
Faith Olive	Berry Lafone, Rt. 2, Box 109, Hickory	28601	256-2045
~~Grace and Truth~~	Willie Fredell, Rt. 1, Box 166, Connelly Springs	28612	437-3197
Hildebran View	Stanley Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273, Connelly Springs	28612	874-0460

Hoyle Memorial	R. A. Brackett, Rt. 3, Box 295A, Lawndale	28090	538-9931
Laurel Haven	Clyde Houston, Box 3, Icard	28666	397-3984
Midway	Lex Wright, Rt. 8, Box 646, Hickory	28601	294-4354
Mt. Calvary			
Mt. Gilead	Ottis Cook, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	
Mt. Hebron	Ralph Gouge, Rt. 3, Box 702, Connelly Springs	28612	392-3748
Mt. Vernon			
Mt. Zion	Dean Coffey, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9872
Mull's Chapel			
Oak Ridge	Keith Starnes, Rt. 2, Box 1040, Connelly Springs	28612	874-0528
Olive Grove	Terrill Crump, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-7949
Philadelphia	W. E. Keller, Rt. 7, Box 409, Hickory	28601	328-6424
Pleasant Grove	John H. Smert, Rt. 1, Box 347, Connelly Springs	28612	879-8226
St. John's	James Bumgarner, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs	28612	874-0093
St. Paul	Joe Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9786
Shoup's Grove	Harold Ashe, Box 240, Icard	28666	397-6914
Smart's Grove	Howard Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 854A, Connelly Springs	28612	879-8368
South Fork	Darrell McGuire, Rt. 4, Box 777K, Hickory	28601	397-7156
Tabernacle	John Glover, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9769
Walker's Chapel	Harold Kanupp, Rt. 3, Box 888, Connelly Springs	28612	874-0503
Wilkie's Grove	Charles McDowell, Rt. 4, Box 470, Hickory	28601	397-6967
Zion Hill	Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale	27090	538-8551
Zoar	Robert Ford, Box 645, Boiling Springs	28017	434-6178

Constitution

ARTICLE I - NAME AND MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. This body shall be known as the South Mountain Baptist Association of North Carolina.

Section 2. The Association shall be composed of messengers from Missionary Baptist Churches.

Section 3. The messengers from any Missionary Baptist Church may be admitted into this Association upon recommendation of the Committee of Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches and the Majority vote of members present at any regular meeting.

Section 4. Any church in good fellowship may, at her discretion, withdraw from this body.

Section 5. This Association may at any meeting, after investigation and report of a duly authorized committee of the Association, by a majority vote declare a dissolution of union with any church deemed corrupt, either in doctrine or practice.

Section 6. Any church in this Association, with fifty members or under, may send three messengers, with one additional for each succeeding fifty members or major fraction thereof.

Section 7. At each session of this Association a Moderator, a Vice Moderator, a Clerk, and Treasurer shall be chosen by vote and hold office until their successors are elected. A Moderator shall not be eligible to succeed himself after having served in office for two years.

Section 8. The meetings of the Association shall be held annually beginning on Thursday after the second Sunday of October unless otherwise ordered by the Association or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

Section 1. The prime purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and to promote unity and growth among the churches composing it.

Section 2. It shall be the purpose of this Association to enlist all of the Churches into full cooperation with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Evangelism, Christian Education and Social Service.

ARTICLE III - POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

Section 1. The Association, when convened in meeting, shall sit as an advisory council and shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the member churches. It may advise, however, with the member churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption or rejection.

Section 2. When grievances occur between any member or minority group of any church which is a member of the Association, the Association, the Executive Committee thereof, or the committee designated by one acting for either of these bodies, may advise or give aid in manners which do no infringe on the rights of the local church, and this only on the invitation of the individual or group involved.

Section 3. Any church found to be unfaithful to the faith and practices commom to the Association shall be encouraged to correct such errors. If the conduct of said church is not corrected and is of such a nature as to alienate said church from the orderly and faithful churches of the Association, the Executive Committee of the Association can recommend that fellowship be withdrawn from said church, and upon a majority vote of the messengers in an annual session, fellowship with such church can be withdrawn.

Section 4. For the mutual benefit of the churches composing this Association, it shall be the duty of each church to forward with messengers a written communication to each annual meeting, specifying the names of messengers, statistics of the church for the foregoing year, giving information concerning its spiritual conditions and stating the names of the pastor and other licentiates or ordained ministers connected with the church.

ARTICLE IV - THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Associational officers and the pastor, and the Chairman of the Deacons along with two (2) elected lay person (male or female) from each church. Ten members shall constitute a quorum. The names of these persons will be furnished annually to the Associational Clerk. If changes occur during the Associational year, these changes should also be forwarded to the Clerk.

Section 2. At the beginning of each Executive Committee, a roll call will be taken of each church and its representative.

Section 3. The Executive Committee meetings shall be on Tuesday after the second Sunday in January, April, July and Tuesday after the first Sunday in October.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this body shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Brotherhood Director, WMU Director, Vacation Bible School Director, R. A. Leader, Music Director. Pianist, Historian, and Evangelism Chairman.

Section 2. The officers of the Association shall be elected at each regular annual meeting of the Association. The Committee on Committees and Nominating Committee shall fill vacancies that may occur in their respective categories between Annual Meeting of the Association by bringing names to the Executive Committee for their approval.

Section 3. By virtue of the office, the Associational Director of Missions is considered an officer of the Association, and shall be considered an ex-officio member of all Associational Committees unless stipulated to the contrary. Election to this office shall be completed by two-thrids majority of the Executive Committee. His time of service shall continue until terminated by the request of the Missionary or by majority vote of the annual meetings or of the Executive Committee, at which time a notice of intent shall be given.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association to preside over the annual sessions, special sessions, and at the quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officers, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term. He shall appoint in advance of the annual meeting a Committee on Enrollment, Place, Time and Preacher, and Resolutions Committees and any other report at the annual meeting for which they are appointed. The Moderator shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence or at his request. He shall be elected annual for a one year term.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Association in regular and special sessions; to keep accurate records of the quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee; to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the Association; to furnish the churches with the blank letter forms on which to make the annual reports to the Association; to superintend the printing of the minutes, and to distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible. For this service he shall be paid annually an amount recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Association. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all of the funds of the Association and to disburse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purposes for which the funds were contributed. He shall render to the Association an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements at the First session of the Annual Meeting. In his absence a member of the Finance Committee shall give this report. The Treasurer shall make available through the Associational Newsletter a monthly financial report including the contributions of each church in the Association. A quarterly report shall be made available at the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall be elected annually and for a one year term.

Section 5. The Sunday School Director shall take the initiative in promoting inspirational meetings, study courses, and leadership classess for the churches of the Association; he shall work in cooperation with the demoninational Sunday School Agencies in promoting the denominational program; and he will be responsible for coordinating and promoting Vacation Bible School he will work in conjunction with the Vacation Bible School Director. He shall be elected annually for a one year term. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

Section 6. The Church Training Director shall take the initiative in promoting the regular meetings projected by the State and be available to the churches for help in strengthening the established unions and to encourage the organization of new unions in churches within them. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

Section 7. The Brotherhood Director shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and be available to the churches to assist in strengthening organizations and programs of existing units. He shall be elected annually for a one year term. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

Section 8. The WMU Director shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and she shall be available to the churches to assist in promotiong ans establishing new Baptist Women and Baptist Women Auxiliary units, and shall assit in strengthening the organizations and programs of existing units. She shall be elected annual for a one year term. She shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for her organization.

Section 9. The Vacation Bible School Director shall work in conjunction with the Associational Sunday School Director in enlisting and training workers, planning and organizing for the annual Vacation Bible School Clinic. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 10. The Royal Ambassador Leader shall be responsible for promoting missionary education witin our Association and be available to the churches to assist in establishing new Royal Ambassador units and shall assist in strengthening the organization and programs of existing units. He shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 11. The Music Director shall take the initiative in promoting the meetings and activities suggested by the State Music leadership and be available to the churches to help in strengthening their music programs. The Music Director will also be responsible for the music at Associational Meetings. He shall be elected annually for a one year term. He shall also work with the nominating committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

Section 12. The Pianist will be responsible for playing the piano at all Associational Meetings, and shall be elected annually for a one year term.

Section 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts of interest about each of the churches which serve as host to the Association and shall report same to the Association in annual session; a picture of each host church, if available, will be included in the Associational Minutes. It shall be the duty to report facts of interest about any of the churches of the Association when such a report is requested. He shall be elected annually and for a one year term.

ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The Committee on Enrollment shall be composed of the Pastor and up to three members of the host church. It shall be the duties of this committee to arrange for the registration of all the messengers and visitors and to make a report to the Association.

Section 2. The Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to recommend to the Association the Churches which the next session shall meet and the preacher for the annual sermon at the next session. In order to alleviate a hardship on any one church hosting an Association Meeting, it is suggested that two or possibly three churches jointly host each meeting. Expenses, meeting places, and other arrangements will be coordinated by the churches selected.

Section 3. The Committee on Resolutions shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiments on any matter chosen by the committee or directed by the messengers of the session.

Section 4. The Committee on Committees shall be composed of five appointed members. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare for approval of the Association the names of persons to serve on the following committees: Nomination, Finance, Ordination of Ministers, Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches, Trustees, Evangelism, Missions, South Mountain Camp, Seminary Extension, Constitution and By-Laws, and Youth Council. The Committee on Committees shall also designate a chairperson for each committee.

5. The Program Committee shall be composed of the general officers of the Association. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare and present a suggested order of business to be adopted by the Association. When adopted, this program becomes the order of business unless changed by common consent or by vote of the body.

Section 6. The Committee on Nominations shall be composed of five members. It shall be the duty of the committee to prepare for the Association the names of individuals as nominees for the following offices: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Treasurer, Clerk, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, Vacation Bible School Director, R.A. Director, Brotherhood Director, Pianist, Historian, and Committees on Committees. It shall also be the duty of this committee to name for the approval of the Association individuals who shall bring to the next annual meeting brief written reports on Public Morals and Temperance, Christian Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Hospitals, Homes for the Aging, Children's Homes, Cooperative Program, Religious Literature, Christian Stewardship, Southern Baptist Annuity Program, Obituaries, and the American Bible Society. Nominations by this Committee shall not preclude nominations from the floor. This committee shall make nominations for vacancies that may occur during the year. The Sunday

School Director, Church Training Director, Brotherhood Director, Women's Missionary Auxiliary Director, and Music Director shall work with the Nominating Committee in selecting officers for their respective organizations. This committee will also make recommendations of persons to whom the annual Associational Minutes may be dedicated. (Note: All churches in the Association are encouraged to submit names of those persons who have made outstanding contributions to the work of the Association. This information must be submitted to the Nominations Committee before August 15th each year.)

Section 7. The Finance Committee shall be composed of five members. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare and recommend the budget for the Association and to suggest ways and means whereby the budget can be raised by the local churches and to secure the cooperation of the churches in raising the budget. The Finance Committee will present the proposed budget on the first day of the annual Associational meeting with discussion and adoption scheduled for the second day. The Finance Committee shall meet prior to the quarterly Executive Committee meeting, and a report shall be prepared for presentation to the quarterly Executive Committee meeting.

Section 8. The Committee on Ordination of Ministers shall be composed of three active members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to serve in an advisory capacity when called upon to assist in the examination and ordination of a candidate for the gospel ministry. The Association advocates the following procedure in the ordination of ministers:

A. A candidate seeking ordination to the Baptist ministry should have the confidence, the approval and the commendation of the church of which he is a member. It is the decided conviction of the Association that any candidate should have received a call to the pastorate of a Baptist Church prior to his ordination.

B. The committee, upon prior request of the church of at least two weeks notice, where possible, shall convene an examining council composed of six (6) or more pastors within the South Mountain Association which will be selected by the pastor of the ordaining church.

C. The council thus convened will organize itself, electing a chairman and a clerk, and will proceed to examine the candidate concerning his conversion, his call to the ministry, his views of Christian doctrine, his attitude toward the denomination and his educational attainments and plans. The candidate will then be excused and the council in executive session shall determine whether to recommend his ordination.

D. The Council shall then submit its recommendation to the local church, which will arrange the service of ordination, if appropriate.

Section 9. The Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Church shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to examine all requests made to the Association by groups seeking admission into the Association. This committee shall make its study in accordance with the principles set forth in **ARTICLE VIII**, and in light of its findings, make one of the following decisions as a recommendation to the Association at the proper time: (a) that the church requesting admission be accepted under the watchcare of the Association for one year; (b) that action on the request be delayed until the next annual meeting of the Association; (c) that the church requesting admission be accepted into the fellowship of the Association if it has complied with the principles set forth in **ARTICEL VIII**; or (d) that the request for membership be rejected.

Section 10. The Committee of Trustees shall be composed of three members.

It shall be the duty of the Trustees to act as legal representatives of the Association in all matters relating to law; to sign all legal documents as directed by the Association or by the Executive Committee between session of the Association; to hold in trust any property, money, endowment, or other securities of said Association; and to exercise the power, under instructions of the Association or Executive Committee, to hold, buy, sell, and convey property, both real and personal, and to sign all papers necessary for the purchase or conveyance.

Section 11. The Missions Committee shall be composed of five members, and this committee shall report to and cooperate with the Executive Committee of the Association. The duties of this committee are: (a) to coordinate and help promote through the organizations and committees all phases and activities of the Associational program; (b) to cooperate with the local churches in making surveys of areas which, in the opinion of the Missions Committee, are not being adequately served by local Missionary Baptist work, and to promote and develop those new phases of the Missions program; (c) to serve in an advisory capacity to the Director of Missions in all matters pertaining to his work and to serve with him in directing and promoting the mission program of the Association; (d) it shall provide information and assistance to the Department of State Missions of the North Carolina Baptist Convention in meeting local missionary needs, such as missionary pastor's assistance, promotion of mission causes, etc; (e) the Missions Committee shall meet prior to the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association or at any other time necessary to discharge its duties; (f) this committee will also have the following responsibilities relating to the office of Director of Missions:

(1) Serve as a search committee in the absence of a Director of Missions
(2) Recommend to the Executive Committee the name of the nominee
(3) Coordinate financial aid matters with Baptist State Convention
(4) Serve as liaison between churches and Director of Missions.

Section 12. The Seminary Extension Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to decide on place and time for the meetings, obtaining qualified teachers and other officers, securing of books and materials, setting up curriculum, providing adequate publicity and any other suggestions as provided by the Seminary Extension Department of the Southern Baptist Convention. This committee shall have its own Secretary/Treasurer and maintain its own checking account; it shall receive and disburse monies as required. Financial reports will also be submitted quarterly to the Associational Executive Committee, and Annual reports forwarded to the Associational Clerk for inclusion in the Book of Reports.

Section 13. The Evangelism Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to plan, promote, coordinate, and enlist the churches of our Association in an annual emphasis in Biblical Evangelism--i.e. Lay Witness Training, Evangelism Conferences, simulanteous revivals, Youth led evangelistic efforts, etc.

Section 14. The Consitution and By-Laws Committee shall be composed of three members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to review and up-date the Constitution and By-Laws as it becomes necessary. This committee may recommend revisions and amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws as deemed necessary.

Section 15. The South Mountain Baptist Camp Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. This committee will serve as a liaison between

the Director of the South Mountain Camp and the churches in this Association in promoting the programs sponsored by the Camp. Committee members are encouraged and welcomed to participate in the programs held at South Mountain Baptist Camp.

Section 16. The Youth Council Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. Membership shall be as follows: (a) two Senior High School Students; (b) two College Age Students; and (c) one Single Adult who will act as chairperson for this committee. The purpose of this committee will be to plan, coordinate, and enlist the youth of the churches of our Association for an ongoing program of Spiritual and School ministeries. They are advised to seek the leadership and guidance of the Director of Youth Ministeries of the Baptist State Convention of Raleigh.

ARTICLE VIII - PETITIONARY LETTERS AND CONSTITUTION OF CHURCHES

Any group of baptized believers in Christ desiring to organize themselves into a missionary Baptist Church with the purpose of seeking the recognition of and fellowship and cooperate with this Association shall be requested to fulfill the following requirements:

Section 1. They shall submit their request for admission to the Director of Missions, or in his absence, to the Moderator, who will review this request and subsequently submit it to the Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches Committee. In addition to this request, the requesting church must also furnish a detailed report of its work since its organization, a copy of the church covenant, and its articles of faith.

Section 2. Any church seeking admission into the fellowship of the Association must be under the watchcare of the Association for at least one full year before it can be admitted. During this interim period the church shall be expected to have a part in the support of the causes fostered by the Association, the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Section 3. The findings of the committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches will be reported to the Association with a recommendation in accordance with ARTICLE VII, Section 9.

Section 4. If the church is accepted under the watchcare of the Association, the Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches will recommend at the end of that year the church be accepted into full fellowship provided that an examination of that year's work done and a study of the cooperative spirit of that church proves to be in accordance with the principles of the churches of the Association. A two-thirds majority vote to the messengers present shall be needed for such action to be completed.

ARTICLE IX - ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

Section 1. **Purpose:** The purpose of the Director of Missions shall be to promote unity and growth among the churches of the South Mountain Baptist Association. He will seek to enlist all of the churches into full cooperation with the South Mountain Baptist Association, N. C. Baptist State Convention, and Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of missions, evangelism, Christian Education, and Social Services.

Section 2. **Areas of Service:** The work of the Director of Missions will include:

A. To work with all Associational officers, committees, and organizations in planning, promoting, and coordinating all meetings and work of the Association.

B. Leadership in planning and promoting among the churches endeavors such as Stewardship clinics, simultaneous revivals, schools of missions, etc.

C. Publication and distribution of a monthly Associational bulletin.

D. Maintenance of an accurate mailing list of all Associational and church officers and leaders.

E. Exploration of the possibilities of community missions and/or institutional type ministeries within the Association and encouragement to the churches to undertake such ministries when the need is demonstrated.

Section 3. **Policies regarding responsibility, vacation, honaria, etc.** The Director of Missions will be nominated by the Missions Committee and elected by the Executive Committee or the Association; a two-thirds majority vote is required from those present.

A. The Director of Missions will be responsible to the Association through the Missions Committee and the Executive Committee for the faithful performance of his duties.

B. The Director of Missions will be allowed two (2) weeks vacation annually with pay which will not be cumulative.

C. The Director of Missions will be allowed, in addition to vacation time, five (5) weeks for revival engagements annually, outside his duties as Associational Director of Missions; two of these revivals may be outside the Association. He shall also be free to receive honorariums for these revivals.

D. **Honoraria:** Rules applying to honorariums are as follows: (1) when the Director of Missions is visiting a church or ministering to a church in an official capacity relating to his work, no honorarium is expected or can be accepted; (2) when the Director of Missions is filling the pulpit for a pastor who is away in revivals, vacation, conferences, conventions, etc., an honorarium will be expected and can be accepted. (The pastor or church can provide the honorarium) (3) If the Director of Missions is called upon to fill a pulpit for a given Sunday in the absence of a pastor who is sick, the pastor is not expected to give an honorarim; however, the Director of Missions is free to accept an honorarium from the church.

E. Regarding supply work, the Director of Missions is free to supply the pulpits to the extent that it does not hinder his work (Length of time at any one church should not exceed four (4) weeks.)

F. The Director of Missions is not to accept any pastorates or interim pastorates while serving as Director of Missions.

G. The Director of Mission will be encouraged and requested to use one week day each week for rest, recreation, personal and family affairs.

H. When the Director of Missions is elected, definite arrangements shall be made as the salary, expenses, housing allowances, and other fringe benefits.

I. The Director of Missions shall give at least thirty (30) days at the time of resignation before terminating his responsibilities. The Association or Executive Committee will also give the Director of Missions at least thirty (30) days notice with pay before terminating his duties as Director of Missions.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

Tis constitution may be amended at any annual meeting provided two-thrids of the members present concur; such amendments must be presented on the first

day of the annual meeting. Action on such amendments shall be deferred until the second day of the annual meeting. It is suggested that all changes and recommendations of amendments be previously submitted to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee for their careful consideration; however any messenger has the right to submit proposed changes in accordance with this article.

BY-LAWS

1. All Associational meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. "Roberts' Rules of Order" shall be used as the parliamentary to all Associaitonal meetings.
3. All Associational officers shall exercise authority over their departments and shall give a financial accounting for monies expended.
4. Election and installation of officers shall take place on the last day of the annual Associational meeting, and these officers shall be responsible for planning, coordinating, and providing leadership for the coming Associational year.

Proceedings

SIXTH-EIGHT SESSION OF SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

THEME: "LET THE CHURCH REACH OUT THROUGH BOLD MISSIONS"

1. An audio-visual presentation was used to open the sixth-eighth annual session of the South Mountain Baptist Association. Delegates and visitors were reminded of the importance of the "Bold Missions Thrust" and the challenge presented to each church member.
2. As the filmstrip ended Rev. Gwyn Sullivan, the moderator, sounded the gavel and called into session those assembled in the sanctuary of Zion Hill Bapitst Church. His words of welcome were warn and cordial.
3. The group joined in singing the hymn "We've a Story to Tell" with Kenneth Sain directing and Mrs. Joe Edwards serving as pianist.
4. Basing his comments on Scripture verses from John 6, Rev. Thomas Berry, pastor of Zion Hill set a worshipful mood for the opening session. Rev. Joe Edwards offered prayer to conclude the devotional thoughts.
5. An official welcome was extended and visitors and guests were recognized. Among these were Rev. J. E. Bishop of the Kings Mountain Association who is currently serving as interim pastor at Mt. Vernon. Special visitors were recognized through formal introductions as they appeared on the program.
6. The program as outlined by the committee was adopted as the agenda for the sessions. This proposal was offered by the clerk and upon her recommendation for adoption and a second, the group voted to accept.
7. Rev. Sullivan expressed appreciation to persons serving on the various committees during the past year. He then proceeded to name those committees which will function during the current sessions. Those named by him were:

TIME, PLACE, PREACHER
Harold Cantrell, Chairman
Charlie Townsend
Gary Brackett
Mrs. Frances Melton
Earnest Rhoney

ENROLLMENT [MULL'S CHAPEL]
Vanesa Heavner
Carole Corum
Mary Ruth Heavner
Wanda Haneline
Katherine Young

ENROLLMENT [ZION HILL]
Rev. Thomas Berry
Patty Berry
Stephen Sain
Gary Brackett
Mrs. Lillian Wilkie

RESOLUTIONS
Rev. Dean Coffey
Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry
Rev. Clyde Houston

8. The Baptist Hospital report was presented by Rev. Buren Hastings, without comment, and following his motion for adoption and a second, the report was accepted.

9. For the sake of emphasis and information, Rev. Ralph Gouge read several paragraphs and some statistical figures from his report on the Baptist Annuity Program. He then made a motion for adoption, a second was granted and the report was accepted as filed.

10. In the absence of Mrs. Harold Dellinger, by whom the report was submitted, Rev. Sullivan made a motion for adoption of the report on Homes for the Aging and received a second. He then gave information concerning the newest addition, the Western N. C. Home in Asheville. The group voted to accept the report.

11. Leonard Newton prepared and submitted the report on the Children's Home of N. C. In his absence a motion was made for acceptance, a second was granted, and the report was given a favorable vote. A representative from these institutions will appear on tomorrow's program.

12. A brief review of facts and circumstances leading to the creation of a new constitution committee was given by Rev. Sullivan. He reminded us that the revision of the first part of the new Constitution was approved at our previous associational meeting. He then recognized Rev. Joe Edwards, Committee Chairman, who presented duplicated copies of the remainder of the document. We were urged to read and study the proposals and changes which he noted briefly. Action will be taken at the session on the second day.

13. The report of the Executive Committee was accepted as presented by the clerk. She moved the adoption and a second to the motion was made. Appreciation was expressed to Harold Dellinger, former Director of Missions, whose leadership contributed to the achievements of the Executive Committee. A new recommendation was offered that two lay persons (male and female) be appointed or elected from each church, thus increasing the membership of this committee.

14. During the business session the following items were presented:

a. A meeting of the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee was requested by the committee chairman.

b. The proposed change in plans for hosting the annual meeting was announced. Churches wishing to participate in the new proposal were asked to contact the chairman.

c. A school of Prayer was announced as scheduled at South Mountain Baptist Camp on Novbember 4 from 10:00 to 4:00. Each person was urged to bring a bag lunch and a resigtration fee of $1.00 should be paid by each participant.

d. Photographs of present and former Directors of Missions were displayed and following the meetings they will be hung permanently in the associational office.

e. Churches were urged to study recorded contributions and share in financing the many agencies and groups to whom funds are distributed.

f. Complimentary copies of the **Biblical Recorder** were available and churchs and individuals were invited to become subscribers.

g. Publicity was given to the Home Bible Study Program instituted and made available through the Sunday School Board. This would be a very beneficial way to gain added knowledge with no expense involved.

15. Copies of the Treasurer's Report were given to each messenger and after being reviewed, Doris Upton, the treasurer, mentioned briefly the amount on hand at the beginning of the year, the receipts and disbursements, and the balance on hand. She offered to answer any questions that might arise. There being no inquiries she moved the adoption, received a second and the group voted to accept her report.

16. Delbert Walker presented for consideration the proposed budget noting and explaining the areas of proposed increase. The report will be considered and action will come on the second day's session. All churches are urged to cooperate in supporting the increased budget.

17. With Kenneth Sain leading and Mrs. Edwards at the piano, the group joined in singing the hymn "Somebody Needs Your Love."

18. The entire congregation enjoyed the solo by Kenneth Sain accompanied by Mrs. Edwards as he sang "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus."

19. The introduction of Rev. Cecil Ray by Rev. Sullivan gave us some insight into his rich and varied background. As Executive Secretary of the State Baptist Convention he brought an inspiring State Missions Message. He challenged each person with the Bold Missions Thrust and God's dealing with us. In his timely remarks he urged us to:

a. Become personally involved in God's ministry.
b. Adopt new values governing our lives.
c. Learn how to give.
d. Have a longing for lost souls.
e. Develop a new love for the church.

A fitting conclusion for his message was a moment of silent prayer for the purpose of self inventory and then a prayer by Rev. T. A. Lineberger.

20. The formal introduction of our new Director of Missions and his wife, Rev. Joe and Louise Edwards, brought an expression of appreciation for the opportunity to serve and a desire to know and work with all our churches.

21. The moderator then recognized Rev. Thomas Berry who gave information concerning church facilities and directions for the serving of the evening meal. With his invocation and blessing the group was adjourned.

A bounteous and delicious meal was served and an hour of good Christian fellowship was adjourned.

THURSDAY EVENING

22. A second audio-visual presentation entitled "Bold Giving" further emphasizing the Bold Missions Thrust was shown to begin the evening program.

23. At the sound of the gavel the evening session was called to order by Rev. Sullivan.

24. The group joined in singing "To God Be the Glory" directed by Kenneth Sain and accompanied by Mrs. Edwards.

25. Rev. Willie Freedle read Romans 12:1-2 and made appropriate comments. He concluded his devotional thoughts with prayer.

26. The group received a formal welcome from Rev. Thomas Berry, pastor of Zion Hill, the host church.

27. A moment was taken to recognize visitors, particularly those outside the association.

28. Recognition was given to eight new pastors who have accepted work in our churches within the year. They in turn introduced themselves and their wives (when present) telling something of their background and the churches they serve. They were: Charlie McDowell of Wilkie's Grove, Terrill Crump of Olive Grove, Keith Starnes of Oak Ridge, Dean Coffey of Mt. Zion, Ralph Gouge of Mt. Hebron, Darrell McGuire of South Fork, Willie Freedle of Grace and Truth, and Robert Ford of Zoar.

29. The report of the Enrollment Committee acknowledged the registration of 107 messengers, and 45 visitors, representing 21 churches.

30. A motion and a second led to the acceptance of the Evangelism Report presented by Rev. Joe Forbes.

31. The theme of unification coordinated the comments of Rev. Joe Edwards, Director of Missions, as he read the scripture passage from Ephesians 4:1-16. The challenge included unification of talents, gifts, spirit and love.

32. Upon a motion for adoption and a second the group voted to accept the State Missions Report as submitted by Rev. Cecil Buff.

33. The Home Missions Report was presented by Mrs. Mike Lail who made appropriate comments following the motion and second for acceptance. The group gave favorable vote of approval.

34. Rev. Paul Robinson submitted the report on Foreign Missions. After moving for the adoption of the report and a second, he spoke briefly pointing to outstanding accomplishments and the group voted to accept the report as proposed.

35. The Cooperative Program Report submitted by Rev. Thomas Berry was accepted after his motion for adoption and a second.

36. Urging churches to take advantage of leadership training opportunities and offering the help of her staff followed the acceptance of the W.M.U. Report as presented by Mrs. Frances Melton.

37. Under the direction of Kenneth Sain and accompanied by Mrs. Edwards the group joined in singing the hymn entitled "Grace, Greater Than Our Sin."

38. Rev. Edwards as Vice Moderator assumed temporary presiding duties and recognized Rev. Charlie McDowell who presented the report on the Seminary Extension Center. Don Brittain submitted the report but in his absence the group voted to accept it.

39. We were favored with the presentation of special music by the Zion Hill Choir, directed by Kenneth Sain and accompanied by Mrs. Coleen Sain. Their two selections were: "I Cannot Faith the Lord" and "Mine Just for the Asking."

40. The Moderator's Address delivered by Rev. Gwyn Sullivan was based on verses from Luke 12 and the timely saying "If it is to be, it's up to me." He concluded his appropriate remarks with prayer.

41. Resuming the duties of presiding, Rev. Sullivan expressed, on behalf of all those in attendance, appreciation to Rev. Berry and all the membership of Zion Hill for their hospitality and the bounteous meal served earlier.

42. Following a preview of tomorrow's program given by Rev. Joe Edwards, the benediction was given by Rev. Dean Coffey and the first day's session came to a joyful close.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

43. As both messengers and visitors assembled in the sanctuary of Mull's Chapel Church, they were shown a filmstrip entitled "Bold Showing." The theme of the presentation reminded us that our stewardship and lifestyle would be the two determinants of the success of the Bold Missions Thrust.

44. Rev. Sullivan sounded the gavel as he called to order the second day's session of the 68th Annual South Mountain Baptist Association.

45. Directed by Kenneth Sain and accompanied by Mrs. Joe Edwards, the congregation joined in singing the hymn "He Hideth My Soul."

46. Rev. Mike Woods, interim pastor of Mull's Chapel, gave devotional thoughts reading from II Timothy 2:6 and concluding with fitting remarks and prayer.

47. Rev. Sullivan extended a hearty welcome to all present including the following special visitors: Rev. J. E. Bishop, Rev. Issac Terrell, Rev. A. T. Askew, Rev. Maurice Cooper, and Rev. Ezra Toney.

48. By way of information and review, the minutes of the previous day's meeting were read by the clerk and without change, were accepted.

49. The report on Religious Literature was submitted by Vester Shull. In his absence, Rev. Sullivan moved for the adoption and a second was voiced. The group voted to accept it. Rev. A. T. Askew of Mt. Airy, working with the staff, represented the **Biblical Recorder** and reminded us of its value in keeping us informed and its valuable role in the success of the great mission tasks we have begun.

50. Upon his recommendation for adoption the report on the American Bible Society presented by Rev. Keith Starnes was accepted following a second to the motion.

51. Mr. Russell Huffman prepared and submitted an excellent and challenging report on Christian Stewardship. At the request of the moderator, he read portions of the report for emphasis. When completed, Russell moved the adoption, a second was granted, and the report was accepted.

52. For emphasis and challenge, Rev. Keith Starnes read excerpts from his report on Public Morals and Temperance. His motion for adoption, a second, and a vote of acceptance were made.

53. There having been no Associational Church Training Director for the past year, recognition was given to Jerry Buff who will be filling that position for the current year. His concern and dedication to the task was sensed as he reviewed the great need and pledged his interest in visiting all participating as well as non-participating churches in this important part of our denominational work.

54. The hymn "We've a Story to Tell" was sung under the direction of Kenneth Sain with Mrs. Edwards at the piano.

55. An informative and challenging message in behalf of the Children's Homes of N. C. was given by Rev. Isaac Terrell. He reminded us of this program's statewide scope and urged a good Thanksgiving offering for this last year of special objects. The Homes will then be incorporated in the Cooperative Program but great needs still are Foster Homes and Cottage Parents.

56. There being no business for discussion we proceeded to the Missions Report given by Rev. Ned Perkins. He emphasized, as the major task of the committee, the selection of Rev. Joe Edwards as Director of Missions, replacing Rev. Harold Dellinger who resigned effective at the end of August. Rev. Perkins named those serving with him on this committee and expressed appreciation to them for their cooperation and assistance. He urged full cooperation and support for Rev. Edwards in his new position.

57. After having distributed copies for consideration, Rev. Joe Edwards again presented the proposed Constitution to the delegate assembly. They were given a time for questioning or comment. Noting several minor changes for improved comprehension and assuring them that the completed and accepted Constitution would be incorporated in this year's annual. Rev. Edwards recommended the adoption of the report. A second and a favorable vote gives us a revised Constitution to be used in future actions.

58. Rev. Sullivan then introduced to the assembly Rev. Maurice Cooper, Director of Church Training for the Baptist State Convention. In his presentation he quoted some startling statistics emphasizing the importance of training in winning the lost to Christ. He informed us that we needed to be bold believers, bold learners and bold followers if we are to accomplish the important tasks dependent upon trained workmen.

59. The position of Sunday School Director was vacated with the resignation of Rev. Jerry Bryant to attend seminary. Newly designated director, Rev. Ralph Gouge, gave publicity and urged all churches to send their Sunday School Directors, Pastors, Deacons, and Church Training Directors to a special clinic scheduled for October 29, 2:30 to 5:00 at Mt. Hebron.

60. The Southern Baptist Denominational Symbol, consisting of the cross, the Word, and the world, was presented. All churches and individuals were urged to use and display the emblem with pride.

61. The group sang he hymn "I Love to Tell the Story"with Kenneth Sain directing and Mrs. Edwards at the piano.

62. Rev. Sullivan, after his introductory remarks, presented Rev. Joe Forbes. Using Judges 6:12-18 as a scriptural basis, he delivered an inspiring missionary message. At the conclusion of the message we were informed of two who have gone as missionaries from our Association: Ellis Fulbright and Tommy Stevens. To further emphasize the importance of mission activity, information was given concerning the beginning of new Seminary Extension classes. Rev. Robert Rownd, pastor of Abee's Grove, will teach pastors and Rev. Charles McDowell will lead the lay group.

63. Rev. Mike Woods gave information concerning convenience facilities and food service.

64. The prayer of benedication/blessing was given by Rev. Buren Hastings and the group then enjoyed a delicious and bountiful meal.

65. An hour of fellowship and conversation seemed to relax and stimulate the group in anticipation of the evening session.

FRIDAY NIGHT

66. A final film presentation entitled "Facts of Life on the Church" pointed out some areas of concentration and renewed effort needed by churches to meet the goals of the "Bold Mission Thrust." These included increased Sunday School attendance and doubling the number of baptisms, individual contributions and our gifts to the Cooperative Program and Associational Missions.

67. Rev. Joe Edwards presided as he sounded the gavel and called to order the final session. As Vice Moderator he expressed appreciation to the congregation of Mull's Chapel for their hospitality and the delicious food served during the dinner hour.

68. Kenneth Sain led and Mrs. Edwards accompanied as the group joined in singing "We've a Story to Tell."

69. In his devotional remarks Rev. Ralph Gouge used Paul as an example to encourage a greater belief in God. He urged us to study and rely upon God's word and to realize several things:

a. All men without God are condemned
b. Believe that people around us are lost
c. Be challenged and put forth greater endeavor in seeking God's salvation of all the lost. He condemned us for being blinded by our riches and becoming lazy and slothful in action and concern.

70. The official welcome was extended by Rev. Mike Woods who reported, on behalf of the registraion committee, an attendance of 113 which included 83 messengers and 30 visitors.

71. Rev. Edwards gave recognition to visitors who had come for the final session.

72. The report on Chrisitan Education was accepted as presented by Rev. Joe Forbes.

73. Rev. Edwards introduced Dr. Craven Williams, President of Gardner-Webb College, who brought an enlightening message on Christian Education. He voiced the concern of all our colleges and the great reponsibility they feel in dealing with the future lives of individuals. He urged continued support of these institutions.

74. In the absence of Joe Goforth, the Brotherhood Report was duly presented and accepted.

75. Rev. T. A. Lineberger moved the adoption of his report on the South Mountain Baptist Camp and received a second. In his comments he stated that the theme of camp activities was "Into all the World" with emphasis on **all.** He gave impressive statistics concerning decisions, rededications, and prayer response.

76. Rev. Sullivan then resumed the duties of Moderator and recognized Delbert Walker for the presentation of the proposed budget. Copies were available and consideration was given from the original presentation in the first day's session. The entire budget was accepted with the amendment to add $50.00 to cover the cost of supplying water to the office for the past two years. The motion of accept was made by Rev. Dan Coffey and seconded by Rev. Willie Freedle.

77. The report of the Committee on Committees was given by Warren Yancey and accepted by the assembly. No changes or additional nominations were made and the report is included elsewhere in the minutes.

78. The report of the Resolutions Committee was presented by Rev. Dean

Coffey who served as chairman. The group voted to accept the expressions of appreciation. The report is included in the Minutes.

79. The assembly voted to accept the report of the Time, Place and Preacher Committee, with proposed changes being given consideration. The report is found elsewhere in the annual Minutes.

80. With Kenneth Sain directing and accompanied by Mrs. Edwards, the congregation joined in singing the hymn ""Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus."

81. In the absence of Cecil Cook, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, his report was given by Rev. Edwards who upon his recommendation of acceptance received a favorable vote. A short installation of officers was performed by Rev. Sullivan, ourgoing Moderator.

82. Memorial thoughts were given by Lucille Upton. The congregation stood as she read names of the deceased members of the various churches. After a moment of silent meditation, Rev. J. E. Bishop gave the memorial prayer.

83. Mrs. Edna Mull gave the Historian's Report, presenting interesting facts concerning the histories of each of the host churches. This information in included in the minutes.

84. We were most appreciative of the special music presented by the choir from Wilkie's Grove. The group was directed by Harold Cantrell accompanied by Mrs. Sherry Stilwell as pianist and Mrs. Susan Ross as organist. Their two selections were "Now Let Us Sing" and "Take My Life."

85. With scripture reading of Acts 1:8-9 Rev. Ned Perkins centered his Doctrinal Message on the theme "The Holy Spirit and the Church." He emphasized that power comes from the Holy Spirit, hence the life of the church is the Holy Spirit who creates fellowship, shows us the love of God and gives guidance for daily life.

86. Having assumed his position as Director of Missions, Rev. Edwards, in his brief remarks, expressed appreciation to all leaders for their interest and effort in the past year and offered his services and asked for continued cooperation in the comin year.

87. With the installation of new officers Rev. Ned Perkins assumed responsibilities as Moderator. He, too, expressed appreciation for the work of outgoing officers, urged cooperation in greater works, and voiced his desire for the prayers of all in his behalf as he attempts to lead the association next year.

88. With a motion and second for dismissal and the sound of the gavel, the benediction and given by Rev. Buren Hastings bringing to a close another interesting beneficial session of the South Mountain Baptist Association.

Reports

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT

In 1977 more people were reached with God's word than ever before in Bible Society History. Since it was founded in 1816, the only goal of the American Bible Society has been to translate, produce, and distribute the scriptures to people everywhere in a language they can understand and at a price they can afford. In 1977, the ABS, and its partners in the United Bible Societies distributed, for the first time in a single year, over 400,000,000 scriptures in 150 countries.

GOOD NEWS FOR NEW READERS - Opportunities for distributing complete Bibles and New Testaments are limited in many areas of the world

because the level of literacy is so low. The Bible Society's answer to this problem is the Good News for New Readers Program. Those just beginning to read can discover God's word through a graded series of scripture selections in a language and format they can easily read and understand.

By the end of 1977, New Reader translations of the scriptures had been undertaken in 328 languages, an increase of 42 languages over 1976. During the year three new countries: Greece, Liberia, and Senegal were added to the list of nations in which New Reader Programs have been started.

By the time a new reader has completed a full series in his language, it is anticipated that he will be at a reading level which will enable him to read a common language New Testament.

TRANSLATIONS - An average of nearly once every two weeks during 1977, somewhere in the world a group of people who had never before had the work of god in their own language, received a portion of the scriptures for the first time. By the end of the year, at least one book of the Bible had been published in a total of 1,631 languages, which was an increase of 28 during the year.

Some of the languages in which complete New Testaments appeared for the first time included Bawm, Kok Borok, Lumasaaba, Ma'di, Muyuw, Penan, Quechua, Yagaria, and Yipuna.

ABS VOLUNTEERS - Much of the success of the Bible cause in 1977 can be attributed to the untiring efforts of over 30,000 ABS Volunteers. They carried out local distribution programs in hospitals, schools, Jails, Missions, and places of business; presented the need of the Bible cause of Churches; Gave radio interviews; and recruited members for the Bible-A-Month Club. Included in this army of Volunteers were more than 12,000 church representatives who serve as special links between the congregations and the ABS. Almost 15% of these people represent the ABS in Southern Baptist Churches across the United States.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT - The total income of the ABS from all sources in 1977 was $29,871,640. Income from churches was $1,545,634. Southern Baptist Churches contributed $251,908 or about $.022 per member. This was a decrease of $23,723 from 1976.

In April 1977 a National Advisory Council was held in New York. Carolyn Weatherford and Porter Routh represented the Southern Baptist Convention. One of the Resolutions adopted by the council supported the United Bible Society Goal of at least doubling income from local contributions by 1980. It has been pointed out that if the 12,733,124 members of the SBC were to increase their level of yearly support to $.04 per member, total giving to the Bible cause would reach $509,000 and help reach the UBS goal. This would help make certain that the Bible Society will be able to provide the scriptures needed by the SBC in its ministry all over the world.

The Bible Society requests your continued prayers so that together with the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention and all willing Christians everywhere, the Society's efforts to bring the scriptures to all those in desperate need of them will be blessed by God.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Keith J. Starnes

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT TO THE 1978 BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

A "Time of Contrasts" is a phrase used by Dr. Darold H. Morgan, Annuity Board President, to describe the denominational insurance and pension planning organization's financial state of affairs in recent times.

"Even though we have been able to count many blessings which have resulted from strong growth in new retirement accounts," Dr. Morgan explains, "The contrasts have resulted mainly from an erratic stock market performance, an occurrence that has influenced investment strategy strongly."

At the end of the second quarter of 1978, total assets administered by the Annuity Board stood at $539,242,775. The Board marked a milestone in its 60-year history during the first quarter when assets surpassed a half billion dollars.

Premium and dues through the first two quarter of 1978 reached a record $25,395,031. Through June this year, the Board distributed $7,211,220 to 13,662 annuitants.

Churches entering the retirement program since January 1, 1978 numbered 154. In 1977, a record total of 545 new churches enrolled in the basic retirement plan.

By mid-summer, the number of members joining the new Southern Baptist Retirement Program totaled more than 5,000. The program was officially inaugurated on January 1.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION REPORT

North Carolina has: 2254 churches and associations: 2986 employees participating.

A total of 21,176 churches and associations are participating currently with 24,613 employees in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program. In this state convention, the number of new members enrolled in the program during the first six months of 1978 is 141. The following Baptist agencies participate in the retirement program:

Baptist State Conventions of North Carolina, Bibical Recorder, N. C. Baptist Foundation, Baptist Children's Homes of N. C., Inc., N. C. Homes, Inc., N. C. Baptist Hosptial, Inc., Campbell College, Chowan College, Gardner-Webb College, Meredith College, Wake Forest University and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph Gouge

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF N. C.

The programs, services and facilities of the Baptist Children's Homes of N. C. are being utilized well for the care of children and in providing assistance to families who need our help. N. C. Baptists and other friend continue to maintain this ministry through personal involvement, prayer and financial support. It is the purpose of the Homes to provide quality care and to be worthy of the faith and confidence of our many friends and supporters.

Requests are coming to the Homes from various sections of the state for additional community-based services (such as, emergency care and group homes.) This is a wholesome trend in child care. Children can best be served and families strengthened when care can be provided reasonable close to a child's home. Our Homes have been moving in the direction for several years. We will respond to additional requests for programs and services as financial resourses permit.

N. C. Baptists have reason to be pleased with work that is currently in progress throughout N. C. In the Piedmont area, Mills Home fosters home services, emergency care at Burlington and Charlotte, the high adventure program at Wall Home, the Child Development Center on the Mills Home campus. Programs of crisis intervention, counseling, and family education fill a particular need in this area of the State.

We are in constant need of well qualified staff. This is particularly true of cottage parents and foster home parents. Join us in prayer that God will impress upon sufficient numbers of prospective workers that child care is a Christian vocation and that it affords wonderful opportunities for service.

We are deeply grateful for support of the Children's Homes which come from our churches through the Cooperative Program, special gifts and the traditional Thanksgiving offering.

The forthcoming Thanksgiving offering is extremely important. This will be the last time that out people will have the challenge of making an over and above offering to the Children's Homes at Thanksgiving time. As a part of the Bold Missions thrust, the Thanksgiving offering for the Children's home in 1979 will become a part of the N. C. Baptist State Missions offering to be received each September thereafter.

To bridge the transitional gap next year, our trustees have set a goal of $1,000,000 (one million dollars) through the 1978 Thanksgiving offering. We are dependent upon our friends for financial support.

Respectfully submitted,
Leonard Newton

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

The contribution of time, money and personal effort to the Mission Thrust, by Baptist men, is appreciated.

Let us strive to be aware of the mission needs that are available. Winning souls and helping others at home and world-wide is the purpose of every Brotherhood unit.

Opportunities are made by needs that arise. We, as Baptist men, should consider our opportunities. Reach out - help someone!

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Goforth

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT

Baptists of N. C. support and operate, through elected trustees, six colleges and one university: Cambpell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wingate and Wake Forest University. The histories of these colleges and the

Baptist State Convention have intersected and interwined since 1834. While not all of the colleges were begun by the Convention per se, all were begun by Baptists, with strong convictions about the need for Christian higher education. The seven colleges have been in operation for a total of 729 years. Currently, faculty and staff number 1,441. During the 1977-78 academic year, the full-time enrollment of the colleges was 13,000. The total enrollment, including summer school and special students, was more than 19,000.

Baptist colleges serve Christ and Baptist people best when they are truest to the primary mission, Christian education. Christian education is education under Christian auspices for Christian ends. Christian education is Christianity operating in the field of enlightenment. A Christian college is a college founded, maintained and conducted by Christian people in the service of the Kingdom of God.

Because Christians affirm the doctrine of creation, there is no subject of investigation which is inappropriate for Christian education, from Art to Zoology. The telescope becomes the tool of the Kingdom for those who believe that "The heavens declare the glory of God." The historian's pen and the biologist's microscope are welcome allies to those whose quest is "That at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow, of things in heaven and things in earth, and things under the earth."

Churches are urged to encourage their youth to attend a Baptist college. Most of the students attending a N. C. Baptist colleges received some form of financial assistance. Each of the colleges pledges to assist needy students with financial aid. Students who need to apply for financial aid should make application to college early in the senior year of high school. Grants, loans and work scholarships are available.

N. C. Baptist colleges continue to be grateful for generous financial support through the Cooperative Program. The colleges reaffirm their support and partnership in missions with the churches, and offer the services of faculty, students and other campus resources to make the Bold Missions emphasis of Southern Baptists a vital and successful ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Forbes

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES 1978 - 79

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

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Rev. Ned Perkins: Chairman ... Mrs. Eugene McNeilly, Mrs. Francis Melton, Rev. Dean Coffey, Rev. Cecil Buff

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Rev. Charles McDowell: Chairman ..... Don Brittain, Russell Huffman, Rev. Dean Coffey, L. E. Willis

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Respectfully Submitted,
Warren Yancy, Chairman
Mrs. Jesse Fortenberry,
Doris Upton
Rev. Cecil Buff
Delbert Walker

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM RECEIPTS

Gifts through the Cooperative Program actually received by Business Office of the Baptist State Convention for the period listed below.

Check this with your church records and please report any difference to O. D. Martin, Jr., P. O. Box 26508, Raleigh, N. C. 27611.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS FROM THE CHURCHES ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THESE FIGURES
APRIL 1, THROUGH JUNE 30, 1978

Churches	Current Quarter	To Date Above	To This Date Last Year
SOUTH MOUNTAIN			
Abee's Chapel	.00	.00	.00
Berea	$2,282.58	$4,068.18	$2,929.69
Beulah	.00	.00	.00
Carswell Memorial	44.00	110.00	60.00
Corinth	.00	.00	110.00
Drowning Creek	50.00	75.00	.00
Faith Olive	14.77	14.77	46.57
Grace and Truth	36.00	53.00	.00
Hildebran View	.00	.00	.00
Hoyle Memorial	.00	.00	.00

Laurel Haven	45.00	90.00	30.00
Midway	.00	.00	.00
Mount Calvary	.00	.00	.00
Mount Gilead	.00	.00	.00
Mount Hebron	1,635.92	3,029.54	2,705.86
Mount Vernon	1,088.26	2,454.45	2,352.45
Mount Zion	42.46	42.46	.00
Mull's Chapel	.00	.00	.00
Oak Ridge	1,161.42	1,912.29	2,024.96
Olive Grove	.00	.00	.00
Philadelphia	46.00	46.00	.00
Pisgah	431.25	862.50	862.50
Pleasant Grove	.00	.00	30.48
St. John's	.00	.00	.00
St. Paul	50.00	50.00	100.00
Shoup's Grove	102.00	204.00	600.00
Smarts Grove	.00	.00	.00
South Fork	663.35	1,413.50	1,499.08
Tabernacle	.00	.00	.00
Walker's Chapel	.00	.00	.00
Wilkies Grove	1,149.11	2,320.00	2,775.51
Zion Hill	875.94	875.94	555.51
Zoar	.00	45.00	.00
Other Than Church	.00	.00	.00
TOTAL:	**$ 9,718.06**	**$17,666.63**	**$16,682.61**

Baptist State Convention of N. C.
Cecil A. Ray, General Sec'y.-Treas.
Division of Stewardhip,
O. D. Martin, Jr. Director

Messengers

ABEE'S CHAPEL - Mr. and Mrs. Gus Gilliland, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Stezer, Rev. and Mrs. Buren Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Lowman, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Lowman Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Larry Crawford, Mrs. Gert Barger.

BEREA - Charlie Townsend, Russell Huffman, Mrs. Ruth Huffman, Paul Robinson, Ralph Sigmon.

BEULAH - Mrs. Minnie Mull, Mrs. Aline Huffman, Mrs. Nellie Rudisill, E. A. Rudisill, Mrs. Amanda Lindsay

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CORINTH - Rev. Cecil Buff, Mr. and Mrs. Early Lail, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Newton

DROWNING CREEK - Norris and Myrtis Brittain, Larry and Barbara Conger

FAITH OLIVE

GRACE AND TRUTH - Mr. and Mrs. Willie VanHorn, Sr., Rev. Willie Fredell, Mrs. John W. Willis

HILDEBRAN VIEW

HOYLE MEMORIAL

LAUREL HAVEN - Flavie Hoyle, Lele Hoyle

MIDWAY - Rev. and Mrs. Lex Wright, Mrs. Ray Weaver, Mrs. Connie Wright

MT. CALVARY
MT. GILEAD - Bessie Chapman, Carrie Buff, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McNeilly, Roney Lail, Napie Parker
MT. HEBRON - Auby Burns, Merleen Burns, Shirley Taylor, Cora Hildebran, Richard Bradshaw, Rev. Ralph Gouge, Jessie Lindsay
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PISGAH - Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Devinney
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ST. JOHN'S - Sam Huffman, Betty Huffman, Sylvia Willis, Rev. James Bumgarner, Kay Bumgarner
ST. PAUL - Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Gleen Mead, Rev. and Mrs. Edsel Mull
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SMART'S GROVE
SOUTH FORK - John Munday, Faye Shook, Rev. Darrell McGuire, Essie Davis
TABERNACLE
WALKER'S CHAPEL
WKILIE'S GROVE - Annie Sain, Rev. Charles McDowell, Donald Brittain, Frances Melton, Jesse Fortenberry, Edna Young
ZION HILL - Mrs. Mary Lail, Frank Sain, Cecil Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cook, Warren Yancey, Edward McCurry
ZOAR - Delia Faye Chapman, Vinnie Queen, Jim Mauney

VISITORS TO THE ASSOCIATION

Rev. J. E. Bishop Kings Mountain Association Interim Pastor at Mt. Vernon
Rev. Isaac Terrell Representative of the Children's Homes of North Carolina
Rev. A. T. Askew Mt. Airy Representative of the Biblical Recorder
Rev. Maurice Cooper Church Training Director of the Baptist State Convention
Rev. Ezra Toney Raleigh
Dr. Craven Williams President of Gardner-Webb College

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

In Romans 10:14 & 15, Paul speaks of the necessity and beauty of preaching the gospel. The King James Version asks, "How shall they preach, except they be sent?"

Our Co-operative Program funds are more important to the kingdom's work than the miles of blood veins in my body. Should the veins fail me, only one

person (myself) shall suffer. Should we as churches fail to supply the necessary funds, millions of people will suffer loss of soul.

God is opening some doors for new work both at home and abroad. Will we have the proper funds to send the message of Christ through them?

Each time our missionaries lead some one to Christ, I can say I had a small part in this, thus I am able to rejoice. When our church tithes to the Co-operative Program, this means each one of us has helped to preach, teach and lead others to Christ.

Brother Pastor, would you lead your church to a commitment of prayer for thirty days concerning this important matter? After prayerful consideration, then decide what God would have you do.

How far the gospel advances throughout this world depends on you and me. You and I control His resources.

Yours in Christ
Thomas Berry

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

As has been the trend in recent years, membership in our WMU organization has, unfortunately, declined. We, as associational leaders, are concerned for what this indicates about the future of missions study and work in our churches. The number of organizations remains the same as last year. We have some type of organization in seventeen of our churches; however, the membership seems to be dwindling, especially in the organizations for young women - Acteens and Baptist Young Women.

Our spring meeting was held in April at Oak Ridge Church. At that time, officers were elected and installed for the 1978-79 Associational Year. The new officers are as follows:

WMU Director ..... Mrs. Frances Melton
Asst. Director ..... Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry
Baptist Women Dir. ..... Mrs. Verona McNeilly
Baptist Young Women Dir. ..... Mrs. Dianne Starnes
Acteens Dir. ..... Mrs. Joann Edwards
Girls In Action Dir. ..... Mrs. Cora Lee Hildebran
Mission Friends Dir. ..... Mrs. Mary Ann Forbes
Sec. and Treasurer ..... Mrs. Ailene Berry

These leaders attended a State WMU Leadership Conference at Ridgecrest in late August. On September 19, they led a workshop for church WMU leaders at Mt. Hebron Church. The age-level leaders are ready to help any church desiring aid in beginning any WMU group. Please call on any leader for information or help.

We are looking forward to a rewarding year of progress and cooperation in all our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances S. Melton

EVANGELISM REPORT

A significant goal in Bold Missions is to encourage every church to double baptisms by 1982 or sooner. Christians need to lead unsaved persons to make genuine commitments to Christ and to guide them in their spiritual development. Pastors and church leaders can use the notebook, **Bold Evangelism Through The Local Church**, to plan and develop an ongoing program of evangelism. Free notebooks will be available and training sessions will be held in associational evangelism clinics across the state.

"The Evangelistic Church on Bold Mission" was the theme of the 32nd Statewide Evangelism Conference at the War Memorial Auditorium, Greensboro, Feb. 6-7, 1978. Evangelistic speakers challenged about 2,400 pastors and lay persons to involve church members in bold evangelism.

Four summer youth evangelism teams preached in one week youth revivals and directed youth witness training in many churches across the state. One of these teams led youth revivals in nine churches in Maryland and in a joint Bold Mission effort. Genuine decisions for Christ were mady be many youths.

Over 900 youths and adults attended the largest Youth Ministry Week during July 3-8 at the N.C. Baptist Assembly. All persons participated in specific witness training sessions. The emphasis also included vocational guidance and recreation.

About 12,500 youths, pastors, and adult leaders were expected for the 8th Statewide Youth Evangelism Night - August 18 - at Greensboro Coliseum. Bill Hogue, Director, Evangelism Section, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, was the preacher; Richard and Judy Bradford, Albuquerque, New Mexico, were the soloists, and other youth shared in the program. Follow-up work is always assigned to pastors with all youth who make decisions.

Churches are encouraged to become more involved in Renewal Evangelism. The Division of Evangelism cooperates with the Brotherhood Department in this phase of the work.

Sixty-eight associations have participated in one week Lay Evangelism Schools in recent years with 15,000 youth and adults from 1,245 churches receiving lay witness training.

The Lay Evangelism School was held here in the South Mountain Baptist Association in April and was led by Rev. Bill Lamb of the Baptist State Convention in Raleigh. We are thrilled to report that ninety-six of our own people participated in the school. On Thursday night, April 20th, we were thrilled to believe that we had more people out witnessing for Jesus at one time than ever in the history of our area.

We would like to thank the people of the Zion Hill Church for allowing us to use their facilities for the week. We had three professions of faith and many other seeds planted.

Also, we would like to encourage all our churches to consider sending their pastor to the 33rd Statewide Evangelism Conference to be held at Cumberland Memorial Auditorium, Fayetteville, N.C. on February 5-6, 1979.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Forbes

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

After being contacted by the Nominating Committee and giving prayerful consideration to the responsibility as well as the opportunity for service, the officers, elected by the Delegates, entered upon their duties for the year 1977-78. It has been a year in which we have sought the leadership of the Holy Spirit and joined ourselves together in dedication to carrying on the work of the South Mountain Baptist Association. We appreciate your confidence and support during the year in which we have held all regularly scheduled meetings and several special called meetings. The purpose of these meetings was to inform and inspire our leaders and churches in greater support and dedication to the work of the association. This is a task shared by each of us as laborers in God's Vineyard. Have you been the kind of worker that God could commend with the words: "Well done thou good and faithful servant"? The business of God's Kingdom is serious business and merits the best effort of every workman.

Our association can be no stronger nor accomplish any more than we determine by our support and involvement. We were reminded in the devotional thoughts presented by Rev. Sullivan at our first meeting that the church, is the basis of our association and of God's Kingdom.

At each meeting, reports were given by various officers concerning the progress or needs of their particular phase of the work. We were encouraged each time any progress was reported, but there were some instances of loss rather than gain and failure rather than success. Not only were we given an account of achievement but usually through announcements and publicity we were given prior notice of important up-coming events in plenty of time to participate actively in each one. Perhaps the program receiving most emphasis during the year was the Bold Missions Thrust promoted by our entire denomination. This is an important and on-going program in which every church can and should participate in making goals become realities.

We regret that several of our churches experienced losses of pastors during the year. We recognize the leadership of the Holy Spirit in directing men to other fields of service or to better educational preparation but the absence of pastors usually results in loss of leadership and inspiration for any congregation. We pray that God will lead each church in the selection of a replacement. We were happy to welcome some new pastors into our association.

In an effort to secure qualified and dedicated leadership the moderator requested that names of available people be submitted to the officials so that the work of the nominating committee would be somewhat easier. Opportunity was given for volunteers to submit their names for consideration for work on the associational level.

In considering the work of the Budget and Finance Committee, Rev. Jerry Bryant urged that all churches pray and consider the possibility of establishing a percentage basis for supporting both the cooperative program and associational missions.

Rev. Gary Huntsinger, serving as chairman, worked with several pastors in instituting a new program for our association. This new activity was the beginning of a seminary extension center organized for the purpose of Bible Study with credits awarded to both pastors and lay persons who would participate and complete requirements for the course of study. This program found ready acceptance and several quarters of study were completed during this associational year.

The need for increased parking space led ot the authorization of the installation of an additional culvert and the graveling of an area to the left of the mobile office. This was done with approval of the membership of Beulah Church, upon whose property the office facility is located.

Our association was graciously represented by laymen who participated in mission work in Guatamala. Those going engaged in the work of completing construction work on churches. Other representatives went to Western N.C. and helped rebuild a church damaged by flood waters. We thank God for the dedication of these men in giving of themselves and their talents in such a sacrificial way. Their work and testimony will long outlast their time spent in these worthwhile projects.

Under the direction of Rev. Jerry Bryant, a group of volunteers attended the state VBS Clinic in Ridgecrest. Their knowledge and inspiration were shared with churches of our association in two local clinics to which we sent representatives who could better prepare themselves for working in their churches to sponsor training for hundreds of boys and girls in our association. We appreciate the efforts of the group in promoting better VBS work in our churches.

We were fortunate during the year to have had an evangelism lay witness class held at Zion Hill for four days and conducted by Rev. Bill Lamb, state evangelism leader. The participation surpassed all expectations and those who attended received valuable instruction and training. We trust the effects will be felt for a long time in our churches.

The Budget and Finance Committee offered several proposals since the adoption of the original financial program. These included a $300.00 annual contribution to the seminary extension center for the purpose of hiring teachers and offering scholarships to ministerial trainees with the stipulation that financial records be kept and submitted to the clerk for inclusion in the annual report. Also that money be made available for the promotion of January Bible Study was proposed by the committee.

The associational executive committee recommended the continued work of the constitution committee so that the new constitution be completed with the adoption of the latter part being proposed for the 1978 session.

The withdrawal of Rev. Ralph Staton contingent upon his acceptance of work outside the association led to the naming of Rev. Joe Forbes as his replacement on the constitution committee.

An unfortunate but necessary task of the executive committee came on August 14 when the resignation of Rev. Harold Dellinger as director of missions was presented and reluctantly accepted. We regret that he has felt it necessary to resign, but in compliance with his request, his resignation became effective August 31. A reception honoring Rev. and Mrs. Dellinger as a token expression of appreciation to both of them for their services to the association was given on August 27. Invitations were issued to all churches and numerous persons came to express appreciation and best wishes. He was given a $100.00 gift certificate in appreciation for his services in many areas.

Action by the executive committee gave the clerk responsibility for securing 8 X 10 photographs of all former Director of Missions serving the association. These are to be black and white photos framed and displayed at the annual meeting. They will then be hung permanently in the associational office. Those qualifying for this honor are Paul Crotts, S. M. Stroupe (deceased), T. A. Lineberger, Thomas Berry and Harold Dellinger.

A proposed change for hosting the annual meeting was discussed and will be presented to the delegate assembly. If accepted, it would be implemented by the Time, Place, Preacher Committee in arranging accommodations for another year.

Due to the limited time of the meeting and the smal allocations to each person appearing on the program, it was recommended that the sermons be cut to one and that the speaker have a choice as to the type sermon he delivers (Doctrinal, Missionary, Evangelistic). This change to a single annual sermon will save time that will be allotted to state and denominational visitors. This will affect a change for the Time, Place, Preacher Committee in its recommendations to the assembly.

The chairman of the Board of Trustees (Paul Leatherman) was authorized to secure a safe deposit box to be used for storing valuable associational documents. Upon the recommendation of Warren Yancey, chairman of the Committee on Committees, Delbert Walker was named as replacement for Ralph Staton. His appointment would complete the named committee.

The resignation of Rev. Dellinger left the office grounds with no caretaker or supervisor. It was recommended that a committee be appointed with the responsibility of arranging for the care of the grounds for the remainder of the mowing season. Payment for services rendered would be taken care of by the Budget and Finance Committee.

Concerning the annual meeting, it was announced that special guests would include Dr. Cecil Ray, Dr. Craven Williams, and Rev. Maurice Cooper. Sermon speakers will be Rev. Thomas Berry and Rev. Joe Edwards. Those responsible for reports are urged to submit them early for inclusion in the Book of Reports.

A bold mission conference is scheduled for October 29 from 2:30 to 5:00 P.M. with key leaders from various churches urged to attend the special conferences to be held for training. All churches are urged to increase their gifts so as to reduce denominational debts.

Upon the resignation of Rev. Dellinger as Director of Missions, the Missions Committee became active in securing a replacement. After much prayer and investigation of various recommended nominees, the committee members presented their choice -- Rev. Joe Edwards. Members of the Executive Committee were given copies of his personal, educational, occupational and religious qualifications as well as his record of service in the association and his personal testimony. The resume indicated that in all respects he seemed to be a wise choice and he received a unanimous vote to become our new Director of Missions. He entered upon his new duties in this capacity on October 1. Let us support him with our prayers and effort so that the associational work will continue to grow.

We thank God for the progress of the associational work and those who labored to make it happen. May we continue to seek his leadership. That plus our own dedicated prayers and active support will make a combination that cannot fail. We are bound to move forward if we think we can.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille Upton, Clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT
SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
9-1-77 to 8-31-78

BALANCE ON HAND 9/1/77		$ 3,705.72
RECEIPTS:		
Miscellaneous	$ 41.54	
Baptist State Convention	2,025.00	
Berea	1,411.13	
Beulah	390.50	
Carswell Memorial	211.00	
Corinth	425.50	
Drowning Creek	82.50	
Faith Olive	33.00	
Grace and Truth	77.00	
Hildebran View	10.00	
Laurel Haven	85.00	
Mt. Gilead	15.00	
Mt. Hebron	420.00	
Mt. Vernon	1,911.39	
Mt. Zion	65.00	
Mull's Chapel	75.00	
Oak Ridge	900.00	
Olive Grove	23.75	
Philadelphia	464.94	
Pisgah	135.00	
St. John's	100.00	
St. Paul	30.00	
Shoup's Grove	609.75	
Smart's Grove	10.00	
South Fork	1,013.76	
Walker's Chapel	35.00	
Wilkie's Grove	2,473.59	
Zion Hill	1,465.63	
Zoar	25.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		**$14,564.98**
BALANCE ON HAND PLUS RECEIPTS		**$18,270.70**
EXPENSES:		
Missionary's Salary	$7,500.12	
Missionary's Travel	1,537.08	
Missionary's Health Benefit	698.56	
Missionary's Utilities	730.78	
Missionary's Retirement	639.96	
Secretary's Salary	383.24	
Office Payment	996.48	
Electricity	208.92	
Telephone	410.85	
Fuel	197.60	

Insurance	52.20	
Associational Speakers' Fee	50.00	
Postage	169.74	
Miscellaneous Office Supplies	193.73	
Minutes	663.31	
WMU	300.00	
VBS	68.23	
Convention Expense	25.00	
Seminary Extension	300.00	
Chairs	78.00	
Rev. Freedle/Grace & Truth	78.00	
South Mountain Camp	50.00	
Miscellaneous	15.08	
Clerk's Compensation	275.00	
Treasurer's Compensation	275.00	
Reception for the Dellingers	23.46	
Gift for Rev. Dellinger	100.00	
Missionary's Christmas Gift	60.00	
Tile and gravel for office parking lot	366.41	
TOTAL EXPENSE		$16,446.75
BALANCE ON HAND 9/1/78		$ 1,823.95

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Upton, Treasurer

In Memoriam

A strong faith and a deep personal Christian conviction are not composed of stoicism. It is only natural for us to grieve over the loss of someone very close to us or of something that is very important to us.

Grieving is a natural part of living. There is a time for grief in everyone's life. It is something which cannot be avoided, for it is inevitable - a natural part of human experience.

Grief can be the human quality that multiplies our understanding, sympathy, gentleness and kindness; that increases and strengthens our faith. One of the strongest, most vivid and heart-rending verses in the Bible is "Jesus Wept." John 11:35.

The Psalmist sings to us: "For his anger endureth but a monent; in his favor is life; Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning" Psalm 30:5.

It has been the lot of some among us to experience grief for the first time in a new and very real way during this year - the loss of a beloved friend, companion, neighbor. Jonathan Swift once wrote "It is impossible that anything so natural, so necessary and so universal as should ever have been designed as an end to mankind." The truest end of life is to know that life never ends. Spiritual and emotional maturity will create an inner strength and tranquility which will enable us to see and know that God still reigns, the sun still shines, the flowers still bloom and the birds still sing despite our pesonal sorrow and tragedy.

There is no death. What seems so is a transition. So may we be comforted with the thoughts expressed in the verse entitled **Solace.**

The passing of our loved ones brings
Much bitter pain and grief
But there's comfort in the knowledge
That our loneliness is brief

A bright and endless day awaits
Beyond the silent night
For death is but the door that leads
To everlasting light.

Our Beloved Dead

ABEE'S CHAPEL
Mr. Lloyd Cragg, Sr.
Mrs. Elva Rector

BEREA
Mrs. Ida Tomlinson
Mrs. Emma Ogle
Mr. Clayton Wilkerson

CORINTH
Mrs. Georgia McNeilly

FAITH OLIVE
Mr. Kirby Hefner

GRACE AND TRUTH
Mrs. Dovie VanHorn
(Charter Member)

MT. GILEAD
Mr. Bill Parker (Deacon)

MT. HEBRON
Mr. Will Huffman (Deacon)
Mrs. Candice Shuford
Mrs. Clara Bradshaw

MT. VERNON
Mr. David J. Martin

OAK RIDGE
Mr. Gerald White
Mrs. Lois B. Icard

OLIVE GROVE
Rev. Tonnie Hull (Minister)
Mr. Clemmie Cook

PISGAH
Mr. Frank Pruett
Mrs. Minnie Mace

PLEASANT GROVE
Mrs. Sarah Louella Pruett

ST. PAUL
Mr. Clarence Cook
Mr. Bobby Smith
Mrs. Maggie Short
Mr. Sam Jefferies
Mrs. Bruna White
Mr. Julius Newton
Mr. Ben Crotts

SHOUP'S GROVE
Mr. Marvin Ingle

SMART'S GROVE
Mr. Johnny Lail

SOUTH FORK
Mrs. Ethel Whitener

WILKIE'S GROVE
Mr. Fred Sain (Deacon)

ZION HILL
Mrs. Fannie Gantt

FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT

The appointment of 279 missionaries in all categories of service during 1977 exceeded the record of all previous years. As of January 1, 1978, Southern Baptists were at work in 90 countries, with 2.776 missionaries.

During 1977, baptism on mission fields where Southern Baptist Missionaries serve reached an all-time high of 98,715. There were 8,533 churches and 10,635 mission points, with 1,071,922 church members.

Plans are under way for major evangelistic efforts in Brazil, Hong Kong, Korea, and other places. Ever increasing use of radio broadcasting is bringing the gospel to great numbers of people in countries where missionaries are not able to work, as well as in lands where freedom of opportunity abounds.

With 92,949 students enrolled in schools extending from kindergarten through university and seminary, large emphasis has been placed on leadership training. Enrollment in theological schools totaled 2,768 with 335 more in women's training schools.

Medical services extended care to 150.832 in-patients and 1,170,036 out-patients, children's homes provided for 987 boys and girls; and community centers enrolled 269,309 adults and children.

Gifts for relief and world hunger during 1977 totaled $889,190. These gifts provided aid for persons in distress due to disasters and miseries of hunger.

Thrilling response to the Bold Mission Thrust, with the Mission Service Corps and volunteers in missions programs, brought great encouragement. A total of 2,413 persons in addition to the missionary staff went overseas in 1977 for periods of auxiliary service ranging from two weeks to one year. Southern Baptists continued to provide undergirding for this vast outreach through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

For Southern Baptists, 1977 has initiated a two-year emphasis on bold missions. The Convention has moved toward the combining of a number of current concerns, including long-range foreign mission strategy, in the projecting of a "Bold Mission Thrust" for the denomination that will extend beyond this special two-year emphasis. A prominent development during the year was establishing of the Mission Service Corps. Also, the Foreign Mission Board, along with the Home Mission Board, Woman's Missionary Union, and the Brotherhood Commission has developed a cooperative project for volunteer enlistment called Volunteer Involvement in Missions.

Evangelism and church development are central to the objectives of missions. Missions is concerned with making disciples, maturing disciples in the fellowship of local churches, and developing churches into a cooperative effort for a continued outreach.

In the past year, Southern Baptist giving to foreign missions through the Cooperative Program increased by 7.69% to a sum of $25,043,319.00. Funds received during 1977 for the Lottie Moon offering, the primary source of funds, increased by 9,27% to a total of $28,570,089.00. These funds, with miscellaneous income, brought the total income given to foreign missions by Southern Baptists to $62,685,716.13 for the year 1977. Southern Baptist expression of mission support in terms of personnel is described in other sections. The involvement in prayer is not measurable. It is a most significant aspect of mission support.

We would like to encourage and challenge all the churches in the South Mountain Baptist Association to continue giving strong and faithful support to

our world-wide Mission Ministries through prayer and financial support through the Cooperative Program and Lottie Moon Christman offering.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Paul Robinson

HOME MISSIONS REPORT

Southern Baptists have often been called a people on a mission for God. I truly believe this is God's way of spreading the gospel around the world. This can only be done by a to-getherness in this Bold Mission Thrust.

The Home Mission Board is now in the process of evaluating the agencies' work of the seventies, with intermediate planning for the eighties. It is the intention of the Home Mission Board to give major emphasis to evangelizing our nation for the remaining part of the century. Ours is commitment to Christ and willingness to find bold new ways to share and live the gospel.

The board is moving forward in missions as directed by the recommendations of the convention. At the end of 1977 a total of 2,830 persons were under Home Mission Board appointment, a net gain of 338 over the year 1976. It is again possible this year to report outstanding financial support by Southern Baptists. Co-operative program gifts to the Home Mission Board increased fifteen per-cent Our allottment to the Home Mission Board for 1978 is $117,252.00

Jesus said in Matthew 9:37, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few". Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." Are you active in God's harvest?

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Mike Lail

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

During this associational year, several things have required the attention of the missions committee. First, there was attention to the aid of one of our sister churches, Grace and Truth. Some of our churches gave special offerings to help them in their service for Christ. Assistance from our State Convention was received to help supplement the salary of their pastor. Second, the missions committee was faced with the selection of a new Director of Missions. In which I believe that this committee has done a good job in finding one. I give each member praise for their work and concern in this area.

Your missions committee would like to urge all churches, each pastor, every officer and lay person to contact them for assistance in any area of service. Our new Director of Missions, Rev. Joe R. Edwards, is concerned about, and open to the needs of our churches in the South Mountain Baptist Association. I hope that each church will call on him that he may be able to serve you. I know that we will welcome Brother Joe Edwards as our Director of Missions, and he welcomes the chance to work with each church.

We look forward to this great year, and as we plan for the beginning of the "Great Bold Missions Thrust," may we as God's people "Boldly" work together in a combined effort of "Faith" to send the gospel to those around us, and to the "The

Uttermost Parts of this World." It is the prayer of the missions committee that God will richly bless and keep each of our churches according to His own will.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Ned T. Perkins, Chairman
Rev. Edsel Mull
Doris Upton
Verona Moneilly
Warren Yancey

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT
OFFICERS FOR 1978-1979

Moderator	Rev. Ned Perkins	433-6055
Vice Moderator	Rev. Dean Coffey	538-9872
Clerk	Miss Lucille Upton	276-2114
Treasurer	Miss Doris Upton	276-2114
Sunday School Director	Rev. Ralph Gouge	397-3748
Church Training Director	Mr. Jerry Buff	538-9596
Woman's Missionary Director	Mrs. Frances Melton	397-6245
Brotherhood Director	Mr. Joe Goforth	538-9556
Vacation Bible School Director	to be picked by SS Director	
R. A. Director	Mr. Edward McCurry	no phone
Music Director	Mr. Kenneth Sain	538-7051
Pianist	Mrs. Joe Edwards	482-6568
Historian	Miss Lucille Upton	276-2114

REPORTS FOR 1979

Public Morals and Temperance	Rev. Keith Starnes
Christian Education	Mr. Russel Huffman
Foreign Missions	Mrs. Thomas Berry
Home Missions	Mrs. James Carswell
State Missions	Rev. Clyde Houston
Cooperative Program	Mr. Charlie Townsend
Baptist Hospital	Rev. Thomas Berry
Annuity	Rev. Gwyn Sullivan
Religious Literature	Mr. Cecil Cook
Christian Stewardship	Rev. Harold Ashe
Obituaries	Miss Lucille Upton
Baptist Children's Homes	Rev. Cecil Buff
Homes for Aging	Mrs. Jesse Fortenberry
American Bible Society	Mr. Leroy Childers

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Miss Doris Upton ..... Chairperson
Rev. Charles McDowell, Mr. Horace Sain
Mr. J. C. Buff, Rev. Gwyn Sullivan

The Nominating Committee recommend the dedication of the minutes this year be made to **Miss Doris Upton** and **Miss Lucille Upton** for their long years of dedicated service to the association.

Respectfully submitted,
Cecil Cook

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
PROPOSED BUDGET
1978 - 1979

Missionary's Salary	$ 8,209.00
Missionary's Travel	2,000.00
Missionary's Housing	1,200.00
Missionary's Utilities	1,068.00
Missionary's Retirement	941.00
Secretary's Salary	450.00
Office Payment	1,000.00
Electricity	300.00
Telephone	500.00
Fuel	250.00
Lawn/Yard Upkeep	100.00
Associational Speaker's Fee	100.00
Convention Expense	600.00
Postage	300.00
Miscellaneous Office Supplies	300.00
Insurance	80.00
Minutes	800.00
W.M.U.	300.00
V.B.S.	150.00
January Bible Study Conference	100.00
Seminary Extension	300.00
Sunday School Programs and Leadership Training*	300.00
Church Training Programs and Leadership Training*	300.00
Brotherhood	75.00
R. A.'s	100.00
Evangelism	150.00
Church Music	50.00
Church Administrative Pastor's Conference	75.00
Machine and equipment Repair	100.00
Missionary's Christmas Gift	75.00
South Mountain Baptist Camp	50.00
Clerk's Compensation	275.00

Treasurer's Compensation	275.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Total	**$20,973.00**

* To be spent on programs, promotion and training for Associational workers and church representatives.

Amendment: Payment of Water Bill for the Associational Office for the past two years 50.00

$21,023.00

PUBLIC MORALS AND TEMPERANCE REPORT

Every Christian needs to seriously consider Proverbs 14:34 - "Righteousness exalted a nation but sin is a reproach to any people." The implication of this verse is that a nation that continues in sin, that every year increases its participation in sin, that multiplies the openness of sin - that nation will not be, cannot be, and shall not be blessed by God. God will not ignore sin, whether it be in a person or a nation.

Christians in America must share responsibility for the moral decline of our country. We have not set the example of a righteous people. Many churches in America have become self-centered, self-satisfied, and worldly. The Bible describes such churches as "having a form of Godliness but denying the power thereof" (2 Timothy 3:5)

Sin is still sin in 1978, even though some in our country, even in the pulpits, want to take the word "sin" out of our language, calling it "personal weakness, a mistake, an accident, maladjustment, freedom of speech, social liberation, etc." Such name changing does not fool God and will not stand on the day of judgement. It is still true that "the wages of sin is death." (Romans 6:23)

Despite the increases in crime, alcohol consumption, drug abuse, immorality, profanity, pornography, etc., there is still hope. That hope is found in God and His Word. Second Chronicles 7:14 declares: "If My people which are called by My Name shall humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from Heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

This is a familiar verse, but we must not let its familiarity lull us to sleep or into indifference. We can have a spiritual awakening in America! Our country can be reached with the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this generation. The Lord is ready to use us - our feet, our hands, our eyes, our time, our abilities, our talents, our means - to bring others to salvation through Christ. Are we willing to let the Lord use us, the choice is ours!

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Keith J. Starnes

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

With the great variety and plentiful supply of religious literature available, we have no excuse for poor teaching, inadequate training or lack of knowledge

concerning the goals and programs of our denomination. Perhpas the failure is because we do not avail ourselves of the opportunities to secure and make proper use of these materials. It is important that every Christian be well informed and actively engaged in spreading the Gospel and any supplemental information to enhance teaching and learning is beneficial. The ideal goal would be for every church to secure and use the inspiritational materials prepared for the various programs. Aren't we blessed to have writers and commentators of the calibre we have to prepare our denominational periodicals? No area of our Christian program is neglected, each having its own special publication. I could compile a long list, most of which you know about, but I shall concentrate on the **Biblical Recorder,** our state Baptist paper.

Think about it for a minute. What if there were no **Biblical Recorder?** What means of communication would keep our Baptist people together in the state? What is we had to depend entirely on the secular news media?

These are questions that should not be taken lightly. Thanks to the wisdom and foresight of Baptist leaders back in 1833, the **Biblical Recorder** has been on the scene for 145 years serving North Carolina Baptists.

Woodrow W. Hill, Assistant Editor and Field Representative for the past seven hears, reached retirement age this past year but has agreed to continue to help the **Recorder** is associations and churches. He is loved by people all over the state and we are glad that he will continue to be identified with the **Recorder** when needed for special assignments.

One of the most important jobs of the **Biblical Recorder** is to keep members of Baptist churches informed about what's going on in our denomination, not only here in North Carolina but around the world. When people know, they respond more quickly and in a more cooperative and generous manner.

The greatest challenge faced in all the history of Southern Baptists is before our people. It is called "Bold Missions Thrust" and the success of the venture is yet to be determined. Without adequate communication channels, the program cannot succeed.

The task is so big and the challenge so great that, for it to be successful, every Baptist must be involved. The most difficult problems faced in our churches are related to communications. When people are uninformed, poorly informed, or misinformed, they get into trouble.

When they know what is taking place, interest is generated and cooperation results. Openness is therefore important, and the purpose of the **Biblical Recorder** is to keep Baptist Church members informed concerning involvement in their denomination and in the Christian world.

It is urgent that every Baptist church member in North Carolina receive the **Biblical Recorder** weekly. Already more than 1,100 churches are providing the **Recorder** through their budgets to all resident families. The Southern Baptist Convention has adopted a circulation goal of eight million subscribers for state papers by 1980, believing that every Baptist Family should receive its state Baptist paper. **Recorder** circulation is 120,000 but should increase to 150,000 in the near future. Costing less than half of the price of a postage stamp per issue, it is delivered by U. S. Mail directly to your home address.

The **Recorder** doesn't cost, it pays! Your church will be a more informed congregation if you provide the **Recorder** for your resident families. It is the most widely read piece of literature received by N. C. Baptists.

Respectfully submitted,
Vester Shull

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that as messengers and visitors meeting in the 68th annual session of the South Mountain Baptist Association:

1. We express our gratitude to Almighty God for His watch-care, guidance and grace that has been bestowed upon us during this past year.
2. We express our gratitude to Zion Hill and Mill's Chapel churches for the use of their facilities and for the bountiful meals which were prepared and served.
3. We express our gratitude to our moderator Rev. Gwyn Sullivan for his two years of faithful service and to his co-workers for a job well done.
4. We express to our new Director of Missions and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Joe Edwards our full support, cooperation and daily prayers that we might together accept the challenge for service that God has given us in this Association at his point in time.
6. We affirm our full support of the Bold Mission Thrust through all the churches in our Association by:

(a) Becoming personally involved in the ministry of our Lord,
(b) Adopting new values to govern our lives,
(c) Learning how to give,
(d) Longing for and loving the souls of mankind,
(e) Developing a new love for the church.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Dean Coffey, Chairman
Rev. Clyde Houston
Mrs. Mavis Tartenberry

SEMINARY EXTENSION REPORT

At our Annual Associational Meeting in 1977, we voted to start a Seminary Extension Center within the Association. Five men were appointed to serve on this committee: Gary Huntsinger, Chairman, Jerry Bryant, Joe Edwards, Russell Huffman, and Don Brittian as Treasurer.

We started our first quarter on January 17, 1978. We offered two classes: one for the lay persons, and one for the pastors. Up to this time, we have completed 3 quarters of Systematic Bible Study through these seminary extension courses offered by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Here are the enrollment for the pastors class: Quarter #1 :9;. Quarter #2 (14). Quarter #3 (18). Here are the enrollments for the lay class. Quarter #1 (13). Quarter #2 (15). Quarter #3 (8). We offered these courses at a minimum tution with the help of $300.00 given to us by the association. (See Finanical Report). The N. C. Baptist State Convention is now taking care of the teacher honorarium. We praise God that we were able to start these classes. Churches, why not pay your pastors tuition? It would benefit you and your pastor.

I want to thank you, the Association, for making seminary Extension a reality. Also appreciation is due to these men: Director of Missions, Rev. Harold B. Dellinger; Moderator, Rev. Gwyn Sullivan: and the Committee for their able help in numerous areas. I want to give a special thanks to each student who participated. They are the sole purpose of the center.

We were able to procure well qualified teachers. Rev. Robert Rownd of Abees Grove Baptist Church and a former teacher at Fruitland, is our pastors teacher. Gary Huntsinger is the lay class teacher.

The Bible delares in II Timothy 2:15, " study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth". Please pray that Seminary Extension will continue in the spirit it began.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Huntsinger,
Director

SEMINARY EXTENSION CENTER
Jan. 1, 1978 to Sept. 30, 1978

Receipts	
First Quarter	$ 210.00
Second Quarter	219.80
South Mountain Association	300.00
Third Quarter	165.00
Total Receipts	**894.80**
Expenditures	
First Quarter Literature	116.00
Second Quarter Literature	279.65
Second Quarter Postage	1.80
Third Quarter Literature	294.38
Third Quarter Postage	1.84
Third Quarter Expenses - Misc.	3.16
Service Charge - Checking	1.00
Total Expenditures	**697.83**
Check Book Balance	
September 30, 1978	$ 196.97

Respectfully submitted,
Don Brittain, Treasurer

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CAMP REPORT

We witnessed another demonstration of the power of God at our camp this year. We had 794 decisions for Christ, including 255 who were saved and 26 commitments to special, full-time Christian service. We praise the Lord also for the 1,134 who made a commitment to pray 15 minutes each day for World Missions. We averaged 186 in attendance. There were 344 attending from your Association. A total of 2,585 attended some kind of organized church activity.

Campers were taught to pray and were informed about mission needs in all 210 countries in the world by missionaries and members of our staff. Each one was challenged to pray, go, and give that the whole world may know about Jesus.

We are deeply grateful to churches and individuals who have our camp in their budget for capital needs and improvements. This enables us to keep our fee low

enough so that more campers may come to camp. Those who have been helping us through the years have had a part in the more than 17,000 decisions for Christ.

There is an urgent need to pave additional roads by the chapel and the church cottages. Also, it is necessary to add another full - time employee to the camp staff. A Personnel Committee has been elected to make a recommendation at our November meeting.

Considering how the Lord is using our camp, will you ask your church to include us in their budget, or to receive a love offering for our camp?

Respectfully submitted,
T. A. Lineberger

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

N. C. Baptists have the following Baptist Homes for the Aging:

1. **Resthaven,** located in Winston-Salem, with space for 16 residents.
2. **The Hayes Home and the Nursing Care Unit,** in Winston-Salem with space for 46 residents, and 79 patients. The Nursing Care Unit serves all five of our Homes, and will serve the Western N. C. Baptist Home. Patients are transferred to this nursing facility when long-term nursing care is needed, either for Intermediate Nursing Care or Skilled Nursing Care.

There is also a duplex apartment complex at the site of the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem, with a space for 120 people.

3. **The Albemarle Home,** in Albemarle with space for 30 residents.
4. **The Hamilton Home,** in Hamilton, with space for 28 residents.
5. **The Yanceyville Home,** in Yanceville, with space for 31 residents.
6. **The Western N. C. Baptist Home,** now under construction in Asheville, with space for 50 residents.

This means that there will be accommodations for 300 people in all our six Baptist Homes, the apartment complex, and the Nursing Care Unit, when the Western N. C. Baptist Home, in Asheville, is completed. This lovely facility is now under construction, and it is anticipated that it will be completed and ready for occupancy by February 15, 1979.

Every year our Baptist Homes for the Aging have received vital support from more than 3400 Baptist Chruches from two sources:

The Cooperative Program, which supplies about 8% of our total budget, and
The Special Offering which supplies 16% of our total budget.

The gifts are used to supplement the care of the majority of the residents in our Baptist Homes and are a life-line, to those who could not possibly pay the cost of care. We are grateful for these gifts and for every church and every person who has had a part in making them available.

Since our February, 1978 offering for the Baptist Homes was the last Special Offering ever, we are greatly concerned that our churches and people continue, in an ever increasing manner, their loyal support. The total goal of the State Missions Offering for 1979, in which we will share with our other Baptist institutions and specific causes, is $2,000,000. Our Baptist Homes will receive $300,000 from this Offering, if the total goal is reached.

The needs of the Homes for the Aging are greater than ever, and we are vitally concerned about how those needs are going to be met. It is estimated that we will need an additional $100,000 to operate the Western N. C. Baptist Home. From whence shall this come? We believe that it will come from our Baptist people. We are a people on bold missions for the Lord, we will trust Him more for our needs, and will pull together in meeting the 1979 State Missions goal. We will give more through the Cooperative Program for all of our Baptist work and causes!

Of interest in our Homes for the Aging in projected growth and service is a new proposed wing to the Hayes Home in Winston-Salem which will house 51 additional patients and residents and bring our total capacity in all of the Homes and the Nursing Care Unit to 351 persons.

The growing edge of our national and state population is in the area of the aging, those 65 years of age and above. We must continue to prepare for them and move out, by the Lord's help, to undertake more for them in our churches, our communities, and in our Baptist Homes for the Aging.

Will you join us in our prayers and in our plans for those aging persons who look to us for help?

Respectfully submitted,
Theo Dellinger

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Baptist Hospital continues to find ways of enlarging and improving its care of patients.

During the past year, the Department of Family Medicine moved into new quarters. It is anticipated that with larger area, the Family Practice Center will provide primary health care for more than 5,000 families by 1980. Also, the teaching program for resident physicians in Family Medicine will increase to 36 positions by 1980. Many of these physicians are expected to enter family practice in N. C.

Other improvements in patient care include the installation of a whole body scanner and the opening of new and larger facilities for the Intensive Care and Intermediate Nurseries. The body scanner is particularly useful in locating and defining problems such as tumors in the chest, abdomen and pelvic areas; in determining the spread of disease from one organ to another; and visualizing aneurysms in the abdomen. The new nurseries have already played a significant role in reducing the infant death rate in improving the chances of premature babies growing up without lasting effects from earlier medical problems.

Creation of a new Department of Patient Relations and the employment of a full time director has also helped to improve the quality of patient care. The primary function of this department is to respond to specific concerns patients have regarding their hospital care and to act in behalf of patients and their families in resolving problems and meeting needs.

A closed-circuit television system will soom be carrying services from the hospital chapel and other devotional programs to patient rooms. The equipment was purchased with funds from the estate of Miss Olivia Hall who worked for Baptist Hospital for nearly a half-century.

The Department of Pastoral Care continues to make a significant contribution to patient care as well as in clinical pastoral education. The Medical Center

Challenge Program completed a successful campaign, over subscribing its $18 million goal. The final project in this program will be the replacement of the original hosptial building with a new Focus Building, scheduled for completion in 1980.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Buren Hastings

STATE MISSIONS

Since 1830 N. C. Baptists have been envangelizing, educating, establishing and nurturing churches through State Missions. Since the organization of our Covention many new avenues of approach to our mission task have been opened. The Convention remains true to the originial purpose our fore-fathers had in mind in establishing the Convention as a channel of ministry for the churches. The goal for this year's State Mission Offering is $1,200,000. A part of the goal of this year's offering is payment of our remaining debt. This will enable us to use money we are now paying in interest for Mission Support.

State Missions is in the business of helping establish mission type churches where needed. State missions offers pastoral and lot aid until the mission can become a self-supporting church. State Missions encourages and supports Associational programs of Evangelism, Missions, and Church Training. The State Convention now supplements the budget of fifty-one associations. In some way State Missions Joins in a Cooperative Ministry in all eighty of our associations.

State Missions has moved to new dimensions of service in recent years. Christian Social Ministries is a vital part of service in our larger associations. State Missions has coordinated personnel and finances with churches and associationa to minister to several million people who visit our resort areas each summer. Now, we find a wide open door to minister to ethnic people who are now living among us. In various ways State Missions is ministering to Indians, Japanese, Koreans, Spanish, Arabic, and Vietnamese people.

There are fifty-one objects that receive support from state missions. Some of these missions objects will offer increasing opportunity in the years ahead. Indeed, strengthened State Mission Support is our open door to the "Bold Mission Thrust" of Southern Baptists.

Quoted from -
Howard Ford, Division of Missions
Baptist State Convention
Raleigh, North Carolina

Respectfully submitted,
Cecil Buff

STEWARDSHIP

Have you stopped lately to think just how much we Americans have in the way of material resources? I am sure your have. I raised that question only to introduce another one. What are we doing with our resources?

God knew beforehand that we would have a human desire to gather and stockpile all of the earth's goods we could possible accumulate. Even as God made man to possess and be caretakers of this good earth, He also made us responsible to Him for all that we are and ever hope to be. Moreover, when we entered into convenant by profession of faith in Jesus Christ our Lord, our responsbility was broadened in scope to include the entire world population of man. This appears to be awesome responsbility, but it is what Christ commanded in the great commission.

What can we do to spread the good news of Christ our Lord? Having made a profession of faith in Jesus Christ our Lord and following Him in Baptism, we were encouraged to join our local Missionary Baptist Church and enter into covenant with one another and to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. This, I believe, is where we should begin.

Having been obedient and faithful to our local church, we are now seasoned and prepared to go or to send others as ambassadors for Christ. It is through our churches that we are gathering momentum in out thrust to spread the good news.

The great commission task is of such magnitude that only a very well devised plan, carefully administered would serve the needs and perpetuate our missions goal. This plan has withstood the great depression period and I believe it will withstand the inflationary period. This plan is the Cooperative Program whereby each Christian and each church, in a concerted effort, can more effectively carry forward the great commission.

Our mission task forces are on the field, others are waiting to be commissioned. Through our Baptist Agencies, they are counting on us. It is our plan - Let us grow together, Let us be bold stewards of our resources. Let us to be an obedient church member and then be an obedient church--follow up with Bold Missions through our Cooperative Program.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell L. Huffman

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT 1979

The Time, Place and Preacher Committee recommends that the 1979 session be held as follows:

Time ..... October 18th and 19th
Place: First Day ..... St. Paul
Second Day ..... Carswell Memorial
Preacher ..... Rev. Charles McDowell

The Designated churches will be recognized as host churches and may solicit aid of surrounding churches in furnishing food. Those sharing in hospitalities will be designated as Co-hosts.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Cantrell, Chairman
Charlie Townsend
Gary Brackett
Mrs. Frances Melton
Earnest Rhoney

PIANISTS/ORGANISTS

Abee's Chapel	Mrs. Gail Duckworth, Box 27, Valdese	28690
Berea	Mrs. Mary Lou Wells, Box 311, Icard	28666
Beulah	Mrs. Anna Martha Young, Route 3, Box 30, Vale	28168
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Debbie Serra, Rt. 11, Box 477-B, Morganton	28655
Corinth	Bobbie Botts, Route 1, Casar	28020
Hildebran View	Mrs. Harold D. Lowman, General Del., Hildebran	28637
Laurel Haven	Linda Summerlin, Rt. 4, Box 651, Morganton	28655
Midway	Mrs. Debbie Beaver, Route 7, Hickory	28601
Mt. Gilead	Nancy Buff, Route 1, Connelly Springs	28612
Mt. Hebron	Mavin Carswell, Route 3, Box 784, Connelly Springs	28612
Mt. Vernon	Sue Burton, Route 2, Vale	28168
Mt. Zion	Mary E. Angle, Route 1, Lawndale	28090
Mull's Chapel	Mrs. Mary Ruth Heavner, Route 3, Box 258, Vale	28168
Oak Ridge	Lydia Bryant, Route 10, Box 666, Lenoir	28645
Olive Grove	Mrs. Aileen Spurling, Route 3, Lawndale	28090
Pisgah	Kenneth Beam, Route 1, Casar	28020
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Hubert Lindsay, Route 4, Box 478, Morganton	28655
St. John's	Hazel Williams, Route 1, Valdese	28690
St. Paul	Bentha Cook, Route 1, Casar	28020
Shoup's Grove	Elsie Childers, Route 3, Box 290, Connelly Springs	28612
Smart's Grove	Evelyn Lail, Route 4, Morganton	28655
South Fork	Sharon Huffman, Route 1, Box 106, Connelly Springs	28020
Tabernacle	Harold Towery, Route 3, Lawndale	28090
Walker's Chapel	Mrs. Blaka Bradley, Route 4, Morganton	28655
Wilkie's Grove	Susan Ross, Route 4, Box 486, Hickory	28601
Zion Hill	Mrs. Adene Hicks, Route 3, Lawndale	28090
Zoar	Brenda Chapman, Route 1, Casar	28020

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Abee's Chapel	Ralph Abee, Route 1, Connelly Springs	28612	874-0141
Mack Hodge	Route 3, Box 627, Spruce Pine	28777	765-7616
Wayne Floyd	Route 2, Connelly Springs	28612	
Berea	Paul Robinson, Box 295, Connelly Springs	28612	879-8189
Beulah	Gary Huntsinger, Route 6, Box 667-D, Charlotte	28208	
Corinth	D. E. Newton, Morganton	28655	
Laurel Haven	Donald Warren, Rt. 4, Box 669, Morganton	28655	433-4713
Mt. Gilead	Kenneth Cook, Route 1, Casar	28020	
Mt. Vernon	Harold Dellinger, Route 1, Box 305, Shelby	28150	435-5630
Ford Houser	Route 2, Vale	28168	276-1520
D. C. Wesson	Route 2, Vale	28168	276-2464
St. John's	Jim Brittain, Route 1, Connelly Springs	28612	
St. Paul	Edsel Mull, Route 3, Lawndale	28090	
Smart's Grove	M. M. Smart, Jr., Route 3, Connelly Springs	28612	
John H. Smart	Valdese	28690	879-8226
Zion Hill	T. A. Lineberger, Route 1, Connelly Springs	28612	437-8308

LICENSED MINISTERS

Hoyle Memorial ..... Robert Price, Route 3, Lawndale 28090
Mull's Chapel ..... Dwayne Haneline, Route 2, Box 252, Lawndale 28090
Olive Grove ..... Donald E. Morrison, Route 3, Lawndale 28090
Philadelphia ..... Johnny Chambers, Route 7, Box 275, Hickory 28601
St. Paul ..... Roy Hasting, Route 3, Lawndale 28090
Smart's Grove ..... Billy Mace, Route 4, Morganton 28655
Javan Mace ..... Route 4, Morganton 28655
South Fork ..... Mickey Propst, Route 4, Hickory 28601
Zion Hill ..... Steve Propst, Route 3, Lawndale 28090

SPECIAL NOTES

1. Abee's Chapel congregation has purchased additional land.
2. Berea Church has paved their driveway and parking lot.
3. The congregation of Laurel Haven moved into their new sanctuary on Christmas Day, December 25, 1977.
4. Mt. Vernon has purchased a church bus and began a limited bus ministry.
5. Pleasant Grove observed their 101st Anniversary on November 10, 1977.
6. A desk donated by Mr. and Mrs. Amos Pruett was dedicated and placed in the pastor's study at Zoar.
7. Honoring the memory of Rev. A. R. Bumgarner, the family donated to Zoar a beautiful water fountain.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE ASSOCIATION

1950----S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Clerk; A. V. Ledford, N. S. Hardin, Preachers; Oak Ridge, Corinth, Places.

1951----S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Clerk; Grady Welch, L. A. Miller, Preachers; Icard, Zion Hill, Places.

1952----S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; J. E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Claude Icard, Clerk; Lamont Mayes, W. H. Flowers, Preachers; Henry River, St. Paul, Places.

1953----S. M. Stroupe, Moderator; B. R. Holbrook, Vice Moderator; Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk; R. W. Hord, Fred Hicks, Preachers; Bethany, Mt. Vernon, Places.

1954----J. E. Hoffman, Moderator; A. V. Ledford, Vice Moderator; Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk; Forrest Davis, B. R. Holbrook, Preachers; Shoup's Grove, Walker's Chapel, Places

1955----J. E. Hoffman, Moderator; Ralph Berry, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. B. R. Holbrook, Clerk; Buren Hastings, J. E. Hoffman, Preachers, Connelly Springs, Pisgah, Places.

1956----Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Julius Hildebran, Ralph Berry, Preachers, St. Paul, Mull's Chapel, Places.

1957----Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Joe Richards, B. H. Cline, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Carswell Memorial, Places.

1958----Paul Crotts, Moderator; W. N. Reece, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; J. E. Hoffman, Paul Crotts, Preachers; St. John's, Oak Ridge Places.
1959----Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Grady McCurry, Preachers; Berea, Beulah, Places.
1960----Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Harold Whitener, Earsel Robinson, Preachers; Midway, Zion Hill, Places.
1961----Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; P. G. Sullivan, Harold Whitener, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Shoup's Grove, Places
1962----Paul Crotts, Moderator; Harold Whitener, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; S. M. Stroupe, J. I. Willis, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, Corinth, Places.
1963----Harold Whitener, Moderator; Paul Crotts, Vice Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Garland Early, Harvey Harris, Preachers; St. Paul, Pleasant Grove, Places.
1964----Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; B. R. Whisnant, Thomas Taylor, Preachers; Mt. Gildea, Olive Grove, Places.
1965----Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Floyd Benfield, Jack Johnson, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Pisgah, Places.
1966----Thomas D. Taylor, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J. M. Powell, Jack E. Guffey, Preachers; Drowning Creek, Mull's Chapel, Mt. Calvary, Places.
1967----Paul Crotts, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J. T. Cline, William Shytle, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Wilkie's Grove, Smart's Grove, Places.
1968----William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Andy Mead, G. C. Wray, Preachers; Berea, Beulah, St. Paul, Places
1969----William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; R. L. Ball, Harold Ashe, Preachers, Oak Ridge, Carswell Memorial, Faith Olive, Places.
1970----J. T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Richard Adams, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Mull's Chapel Places.
1971----J. T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Ronald Martin, Cecil Buff, Preachers; Zion Hill, Corinth, Places.
1972----Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk, Dennis Whitley, Carrell Pruette, Preachers; Zoar, Abee's Chapel, Places.
1973----Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Raymond Crook, Paul Crott , Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, St. John's, Places.
1974----Raymond Crook, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Kenneth Simpson, Preachers; St. Paul, Shoup's Grove, Places.
1975----Harold Dellinger, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Buren Hastings, Gwyn Sullivan, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Olibe Grove, Places.
1976----Harold Ashe, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Cecil Buff, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Berea, Places.
1977----Gwyn Sullivan, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Jerry Bryant, Gary Huntsinger, Preachers; Pisgah, Walker's Chapel, Places.
1978----Gwyn Sullivan, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Joe Forbes, Ned Perkins, Preachers; Zion Hill, Mull's Chapel, Places.

Table A Church Membership

Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Lucille Upton, Associational Clerk
Rt. 2, Box 308
Vale, North Carolina 28168

Churches	Pastors And Addresses	County	Year organized as church	Location (1 - Open Country; 2 - Village under 500; 3 - Town 500 - 2499; 4 - City 2,500 - 9,999; City 10,000 - 49,999: 5 - Downtown, 6 - Neighborhood, 7 - Suburban; City 50,000 or more: 8 - Downtown, 9 - Neighborhood, 0 - Suburban)	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. mem. rec'd from non-Bap. Ch.	No. mem. lost to non-Bap. Ch.	Value of pastor's home if owned by church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
			3	4	5		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	24	25	26
Abee's Chapel	Buren Hastings, Box 157 Valdese 28690	Burke	1886	1	x		4	6	5	241	121	362	0	0	40,000	110,000	0
Berea 3	Gwyn Sullivan, Rt. 1, Box 1098 Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1947	1	x		5	2	13	356	22	378	1	2	34,000	234,000	56,584
Beulah 3		Catawba	1905	1	x		4	0	2	86	86	172	0	2		75,000	
Carswell Memorial	Ned Perkins, Rt. 12, Box 94, Morganton 28655	Burke	1938	1	x		3	5	0	113	26	139	0	0		85,000	
Corinth	Cecil Buff, Box 576, Lawndale 28090	Cleveland	1884	1	x		8	4	8	293	28	321	0	5		115,000	
Drowning Creek	Narris Brittain, Rt. 3, Box 526 Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1952	1	x		6	4	2	32	40	72	0	0		35,000	
Faith Oline	Berry Lafone, Rt. 2, Box 109 Hickory 28601	Catawba	1965	2	x		1	0	5	89	31	120	0	0		60,000	
Grace and Truth	Willie Freedle, Rt. 1, Box 166 Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1955	1	x		0	2	1	19	22	41	0	0		23,500	2,904
Hildebran View	Stanley T. Brittain Rt. 1, Box 273, Conn. Sp. 28612	Burke	1946	1		x	4	0	0								
Hoyle Memorial	R. A. Brackett, Rt. 3, Box 295 A, Lawndale 28090	Cleveland	1968	1	x		0	2	1	29	0	29	0	0		21,000	
Laurel Haven 2	Clyde Houston, Box 3, Icard 28666	Burke	1971	1	x		0	4	2	15	15	30	0	0		55,000	500
Midway	Lex Wright, Rt. 8, Box 646, Hickory 28601	Burke	1956	1	x		0	1	4	128	2	130	0	0		73,000	
Mount Calvary																	
Mount Gilead 2	Ottis Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Burke	1830	1		x	4	8	1	134	40	174	0	0		90,000	
Mount Hebron	Ralph Gouge, Rt. 3, Box 702 Connelly Spr, 28612	Burke	1870	1	x		17	9	23	315	78	393	0	0	43,000	477,000	125,657
Mount Vernon 1		Lincoln	1840	1	x		4	0	8	262	75	337	0	1	30,000	260,000	
Mount Zion 2	Dean Coffey, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1848	1	x		1	0	0	50	29	79	0	0		50,000	
Mull's Chapel 2		Catawba	1871	1	x		8	5	2	83	25	108	0	0	50,000	100,000	1,797
Oak Ridge 2	Keith Starnes, Rt. 2, Box 1040 Conn. Spr. 28612	Burke	1943	1	x		5	5	16	329	0	329	0	1	38,000	250,000	7,000
Olive Grove	Terrill Crump, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1884	1		x	5	1	9	198	73	271	0	0	50,000	180,000	34,937
Philadelphia	W. E. Keller, Rt. 7, Box 409 Hickory 28601	Burke	1952	1		x	0	19	1	99	34	133	0	0		85,000	
Pisgah 3		Cleveland	1840	1		x	2	1	4	182	28	210	0	0	45,000	200,000	
Pleasant Grove 2	John H. Smart, Rt. 1, Box 347, Connelly Spr. 28612	Burke	1876	1		x	1	0	5	118	20	138	0	0		75,000	
Saint John's	James Bumgarner, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1842	1	x		4	0	0	193	10	203	0	0	40,000	110,000	1,000
Saint Paul 1	Joe Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1860	1		x	1	2	9	265	149	414	0	0	40,000	160,000	
Shoup's Grove	Harold Ashe, Box 240, Icard 28666	Burke	1892	1	x		1	1	9	247	40	287	0	0	25,000	125,000	
Smart's Grove	Howard Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 854 A, Connelly Spr. 28612	Burke	1935	1	x		7	7	2	111	84	195	0	0	45,000	75,000	
South Fork	Darrell McGuire, Rt. 4, Box 777 K, Hickory 28601	Burke	1937	1	x		0	8	16	137	30	167	0	0	20,000	150,000	34,500
Tabernacle	John P. Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1972	1	x		0	0	0	62	2	64	0	0		5,000	1,450
Walker's Chapel	Harold Kanupp, Rt. 3, Box 888, Connelly Spr., 28612	Burke	1915	1	x		3	2	6	107	0	107	0	0		140,000	31,937
Wilkie's Grove	Charles McDowell, Rt. 4, Box 470, Hickory 28601	Burke	1896	1	x		4	6	17	258	39	297	0	0	25,000	200,000	11,280
Zion Hill 1	Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	Cleveland	1859	1	x		10	2	5	288	53	341	0	2	40,000	125,000	
Zoar 2	Robert Fard, Box 645, Boiling Springs 28017	Cleveland	1937	3		x	0	3	2	28	26	54	0	0	7,000	80,000	
TOTALS							112	109	178	4,867	1,228	6,095	1	13	572,000	3,768,500	309,546

Bible Chapel

Table B Sunday School

Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Rev. Ralph Gouge, Associational Sunday School Director
Rt. 3, Box 702
Connelly Springs 28612

Churches	Sunday School Directors & Addresses	56 Cradle Roll enrol. (Birth to 2 yr.)	57 Preschool enrol. (Birth thru 5 yr.)	58 Children enrol. (6-11 yr. or gr. 1-6)	59 Youth enrolmt. (12-17 yr./gr. 7-12)	60 Young Adult enrol. Single (18-29 yr or HS grad.-29 yr.)	61 Young Adult enrol. Married (18-29 yr. or HS grad.-29 yr.)	62 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	63 Senior Adult enrol. (60 and over)	64 Adults Away enrolment	65 Homebound enrol.	66 Gen. off. enrol.	67 Enrol. mission(s) of church	68 Total ongoing SS enrol.	69 Average weekly SS attendance	70 No. Bible Study groups	71 Bible Study groups enrol.	72 Weekday Bible Study enrol.	73 Church VBS enrol.	74 Mission VBS enrol.	75 Total VBS enrol.
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourglea, Jr., Rt.1, Box 358 C Conn.Sp.28612	0	40	29	44	14	29	46	60	0	0	3	0	265	224	0	0	0	102	0	102
Berea	Charlie Townsend, Rt.3, Box 503, Conn.Spr. 28612	0	33	47	44	10	36	30	35	0	0	4	0	239	113	0	0	0	60	0	60
Beulah	Evan Rhoney, Rt.4, Box 266, Vale 28168	0	18	8	10	6	13	19	15	0	0	3	0	92	74	0	0	0	70	0	70
Carswell Memorial	Henry Carswell, Rt.11, Box 477B, Morganton 28655	0	10	7	16	10	14	25	18	0	0	3	0	103	60	0	0	0	42	0	42
Corinth	Bobby Downs, Rt.1, Casar 28020	16	32	29	21	22	28	32	49	0	0	2	0	231	149	0	0	0	119	0	119
Drowning Creek	Dan Munday, Rt.3, Box 525 B, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	3	24	11	8	6	13	0	0	0	3	0	68	32	0	0	0	0	0	0
Faith Olive	Grady C. Allen, Rt.8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	1	19	22	16	2	8	16	6	30	0	0	0	120	52	0	0	0	72	0	72
Grace and Truth	Willie Van Horn, Sr., Rt.7, Box 574 A, Hickory 28601	0	3	0	0	1	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	14	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hildebran View	Keith T. Brittain, Rt.1, Box 273, Conn.Spr. 28612	2	0	7	5	33	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	63	45	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoyle Memorial	Robert Hoyle Rt.3, Lawndale 28090	0	0	8	5	0	0	14	0	0	0	2	0	29	17	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Haven	Keith Summerlin, Rt.8, Box 651, Morganton 28655	2	1	4	6	2	7	9	4	0	0	2	0	37	17	0	0	0	37	0	37
Midway	Johnny Ray Sigmon, Box 955, Hickory 28601	2	6	11	10	10	11	6	6	12	3	3	0	80	42	0	0	0	42	0	42
Mount Calvary																					
Mount Gilead	Walter Smith, Rt.1, Connelly Springs 28612	6	8	13	16	16	24	17	14	12	1	7	0	134	100	0	0	0	55	0	55
Mount Hebron	Alfred Lowman, Rt.3, Box 692 Conn.Spr. 28612		38	64	33		20	69	21	3	0	4	0	252	162	0	0	0	130	0	130
Mount Vernon	Vester Shull, Rt.4, Vale 28168	7	8	32	22	5	20	63	30	0	12	4	0	203	120	1	20	0	68	0	68
Mount Zion	Buland Short, Rt.1, Casar 28020	2	5	3	10	3	0	17	0	0	0	8	0	48	42	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mull's Chapel	Wayne Corum, Rt.1, Box 147 C Conn, Spr. 28612	0	11	18	13	3	7	10	14	0	0	0	0	76	56	0	0	0	64	0	64
Oak Ridge	Dennis Seagle	0	32	43	54	32	0	32	16	0	0	3	0	212	144	0	0	0	125	0	125
Olive Grove	Mr. Hazel Walker, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	12	28	24	8	15	65	0	0	0	4	0	156	110	0	0	0	102	0	102
Philadelphia	Johnny Chambers, Rt.7, Box 275, Hickory 28601	0	14	24	10	8	8	39	5	0	0	5	0	113	87	0	0	0	80	0	80
Pisgah	Don Elliott, Rt.1, Casar 28020	7	19	15	23	12	15	13	19	0	0	4	0	127	89	0	0	0	85	0	85
Pleasant Grove	Carl W. Powell, Rt.4, Box 466, Morganton 28655	0	8	27	22	4	20	27	10	0	0	0	0	118	85	1	20	0	52	0	52
Saint John's	Donald Hoyle, Rt.8, Box 444, Hickory 28601	0	15	40	15	19	26	31	9	0	0	0	0	155	105	0	0	0	71	0	71
Saint Paul	Max Cooke, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	12	23	13	28	24	46	30	0	0	7	0	183	126	0	0	0	79	0	79
Shoup's Grove	Vance Brittain, Rt.1, Icard 28666	0	29	47	31	12	28	45	29	0	0	11	0	232	100	0	0	0	104	0	104
Smart's Grove	Larry Mace, Rt.1, Box 110B, Conn.Spr. 28612	0	22	12	36	5	27	37	12	0	0	2	0	153	103	0	0	0	97	0	97
South Fork	Dwight Huffman, Rt.4, Box 767, Hickory 28601	0	16	37	12	0	14	16	2	0	0	7	0	104	82	0	0	0	136	0	136
Tabernacle	Johnnie Mathews, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	8	14	12	0	0	18	0	0	0	9	0	61	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walker's Chapel	Shub Carswell, Rt.4, Morganton 28655	5	10	16	11	5	25	14	21	0	0	0	0	107	70	0	0	0	35	0	35
Wilkie's Grove	Milton Rhoney, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	32	40	33	17	11	95	21	0	0	6	0	255	140	0	0	0	94	0	94
Zion Hill	Warren Yancey, Rt.3, Lawndale 28090	9	34	42	38	14	45	45	41	0	0	3	0	271	175	0	0	0	87	0	87
Zoar	Philip A. Lail, Rt.3, Box 27, Lawndale 28090	0	5	9	6	0	4	10	5	0	0	6	0	45	32	0	0	0	45	0	45
TOTALS		59	503	743	622	309	488	942	492	57	16	115	0	4,346	2,790	2	40	0	2,053		2,053

Table C Church Training

Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Jerry Buff, Associational Church Training Director
Rt. 1,
Casar, North Carolina 28020

Churches	Church Training Directors & Addresses	76 Preschool enrol. (5 yr. & under - not in school)	77 Children enrol. (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	78 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12	79 Young Adult enrol. (18-29 years or HS grad. thru 29 yr.)	80 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	81 Senior Adult enrol. (60 and over)	82 General officers enrolment	83 Enrolment of Mission(s) of Church	84 Total ongoing Church Training enrolment	85 Average weekly Church Training attendance	86 New Church Member Training Participation: Children	87 New Church Member Training Participation: Youth	88 New Church Member Training Participation: Adult
Berea	Charles Berry, Box 91, Connelly Springs 28612	19	21	22	9	25	10	2	0	109	45	0	0	0
Beulah	Mrs. Wanda Hildebran, 635 Old Shelby Rd., Morganton 28655	4	4	9	10	20	0	2	0	49	31	0	0	0
Carswell Memorial	Fred Butler, Rt. 11, Box 477, Morganton 28655	2	5	4	10	16	3	1	0	41	24	0	0	0
Mt. Hebron	Dennis Wright, Box 351, Icard 28666	4	28	21	0	23	8	3	0	87	59	16	17	33
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Gaty Davis, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	5	14	13	15	15	0	3	0	65	42	0	0	0
Oak Ridge	Douglas Bryant, Rt. 10, Box 666, Lenoir 28645	3	12	20	16	19	0	1	0	71	41	0	0	0
Pisgah	Mrs. Troy Warlick, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	4	5	7	6	12	0	2	0	36	30	1	0	2
St. Paul	Bentha Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	10	10	10	21	18	9	1	0	79	35	3	0	0
Shoup's Grove	Jimmy Gragg, 1271 10th St., N.W. Hickory 28601	3	19	15	9	26	0	7	0	79	37	0	0	0
Wilkie's Grove	Carolyn Rhoney, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	9	19	5	21	13	0	1	0	68	28	0	0	0
Zion Hill	Gerald Sailers Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	5	4	6	13	13	5	2	0	48	40	0	0	0
TOTALS		68	141	133	130	200	35	25	0	732	412	20	17	35

Table D Church Music Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Stote of North Carolina
Kenneth Soin, Associotional Music Director
Rt. 2,
Vale, North Corolina 28168

Churches	Music Directors & Addresses	89 Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	90 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	91 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	92 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	93 Handbell ringers enrolment	94 Vocal ensembles enrolment	95 Instrumental ensembles enrol.	96 General music leaders enrolment	97 Enrolment of mission(s) of Church	98 Total ongoing Church Music enrolment	99 Average weekly Church Music attendance	100 Church Music study group enrol.
Abee's Chapel	Ronder Crawford, Rt. 1, Box 42, Voldese 28690	10	10	15	35	0	0	0	5	0	75	50	0
Bereo		0	8	12	16	0	5	0	2	0	43	15	0
Beuloh	Brenda White, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	6	5	10	15	0	0	0	3	0	39	15	0
Carswell Memorial	Ricky Sain, Rt. 3, Box 180A, Vale 28168	0	10	5	18	0	8	4	4	0	49	22	0
Corinth	Don McNeilly, Rt. 1, Cosar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drowning Creek	Myrtis Brittoin, Rt. 3, Box 526, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Faith Olive	Geraldine Hudspeth, Rt. 8, Box 455 Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grace and Truth	Susan Bell, Rt. 4, Box 506, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hildebran View	Mrs. Henry Lowmon, Rt. 1, Box 273A, Conn Spr, 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoyle Memorial		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Haven	Minnie Nelson, Rt. 4, Box 649 Morgonton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midwoy	Mrs. Denise Sigman, Box 955 Hickory, 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount Calvary													
Mount Gileod	Ruthie Porker, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount Hebron	Michele Nunomaker, Rt. 3, Box 702 Connelly Spr, 28612	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	2	0	27	20	0
Mount Vernon	Omar Hoyle, Rt. 4, Vole 28168	0	2	13	17	0	0	0	10	0	42	30	0
Mount Zion	Tommy Chapmon, Rt. 1, Cosar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mull's Chapel	Dwayne Haneline Rt. 2, Box 252, Lawndole 28090	0	0	4	13	0	1	0	3	0	21	12	0
Oak Ridge	Terry Childers, Rt. 3, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	4	0	29	20	0
Olive Grove	Mrs. Daphene McNeilly, Rt. 1, Cosar 28020	2	8	7	20	0	0	0	2	0	39	35	0
Philodelphio	Jock Price Hickory 28601	5	8	10	20	0	0	0	4	0	47	40	0
Pisgah	Mrs. Robert Beam, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	5	7	13	0	0	0	3	0	28	28	0
Pleosant Grove	Hubert H. Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 478, Morgonton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saint John's	Betty Huffman, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saint Paul	Cloude Cooke, T1 Casar 28020	0	0	10	20	0	2	0	5	0	37	2	0
Shoup's Grove	Dot Shuford, Rt. 1, 392, Connelly Springs 28612	0	4	15	15	0	0	2	2	0	38	32	0
Smart's Grove	Alberta Crawley, Rt. 6, Box 298, Morgonton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Fork	Mickey Propst, Rt. 4, Box 776, Hickory 28601	10	10	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0
Tobernacle	Marie Towery, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	4	2	1	5	0	5	3	2	0	22	10	0
Walker's Chopel	J.C. Bradley, Rt. 4, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilkie's Grove	Horold Cantrell, Rt. 3, Box 127 A, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	10	0	25	0	3	0	4	0	42	20	0
Zion Hill	Dale Sain, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	0	7	10	12	0	4	0	2	0	35	25	0
Zoar	Jim Mauney, Box 1664 Shelby 28150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS		37	89	119	324	0	28	9	57	0	663	444	0

Table E Woman's Missionary Union

Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Mrs. Frances Melton, Associational WMU Director
Rt. 8, Box 304
Hickory, North Carolina 28601

		101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
Churches	WMU Directors & Addresses	Mission Friends (5 yr & under)	Girls in Action (6-11 yr/gr. 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 yr. or gr. 7-12)	Bapt. Yg. Wom. (18-29 yr. or H.S. grad. thru 29 yr.)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of Church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 yr. & under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens 12-17 yr. or grades 7-12)	Bapt. Yg. Wom. (18-29 yr. or H.S. grad. thru 29 yr.)	Bapt. Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total ongoing WMU enrolment
Abee's Chapel	Mrs. Mildred Crawford Rt.1,Box 42, Valdese 28690	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	8	10	7	11	14	4	0	54
Beulah	Mrs. Anna Martha Young ,Rt. 3, Box 30 Vale 28168	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	8	0	14	5	0	27
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Fred Butler,Rt.11,Box 477, Morganton 28655	1	0	1	1	1	0	4	2	0	3	9	6	2	0	22
Corinth	Ethel Downs,Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	4	0	12
Drowning Creek	Dot Munday,Rt.3, Box 525 B, Connelly Springs 28612	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	2	4	0	8	3	0	17
Midway	Mrs.Ray Weaver, Rt.2,Box 637,Connelly Springs 28612	1	0	1	0	1	3	6	2	0	6	0	8	8	18	42
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Barbara Smith,Rt.1,Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	14	3	0	17
Mt. Hebron	Bernice Gouge,Rt.3,Box 702,Connelly Springs, 28612	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	12	24	4	10	10	8	0	68
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Faye Downs,Rt.4,Vale 28168	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	9	9	0	24	4	0	46
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Sue Evans,Rt.3,Connelly Springs 28612	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	9	18	16	0	12	0	0	55
Pisgah	Mrs. Don Elliott,Rt.1, Casar 28020	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	10	9	9	0	10	1	0	39
St. John's	Brenda Hinegardner,Rt.4,Box 473 A, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	19	4	0	23
St. Paul	Mary Ann Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	13	9	4	0	10	6	0	42
Shoup's Grove	Lois Brank, Box 221 Icard 28666	0	1	1	1	1	0	4	0	6	6	10	8	5	0	35
Wilkie's Grove	Frances Melton, Rt. 8, Box 304, Hickory 28601	1	1	0	0	2	0	4	8	9	0	0	24	0	0	41
Zion Hill	Mrs. Alvin Cook,Rt.4,Box 286, Vale 28168	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	3	5	7	0	15	4	0	34
TOTALS		9	10	12	4	17	3	55	67	101	83	40	204	61	18	574

Table F Brotherhood Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Joe Gaforth, Associational Brotherhood Director
Rt. 1,
Casar, North Carolina 28020

Churches	Brotherhood Director & Addresses	116 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	117 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	118 RA director and committee	119 Baptist Men enrolment - Basic	120 Baptist Men enrolment - Prayer	121 Baptist Men enrolment - Mission Action	122 Baptist Men enrol. Witnessing or Lay Renewal	123 Brotherhood dir. & other gen. Brotherhood Officers	124 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	125 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Abee's Chapel	Gary Mourglea, Box 773, Valdese 28690	20	8	1	30	0	0	0	0	0	59
Carswell Memorial	David Lewis, Rt.11, Box 477A, Morganton 28655	4	2	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	16
Drowning Creek	Dan Munday, Rt.3, Box 525 B, Connelly Springs 28612	0	5	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	10
Mt Hebron	Denny Harbinson, Rt.3, Box 700, Connelly Spr. 28612	26	11	6	20	0	0	0	0	0	63
Mt. Vernon	Ford Houser, Rt.2, Vale 28168	7	9	5	20	0	0	0	0	0	41
Oak Ridge	Max White	1	1	1	9	0	0	0	1	20	33
Pisgah	Arthur Parker, Rt.1, Casar 28020	14	8	2	10	0	0	0	1	0	35
St. Paul	Joe Gofarth, Rt.1, Casar 28020	3	12	8	23	0	0	10	5	0	61
Wilkie's Grove	Ray Melton, Rt.6, Box 304, Hickory 28601	9	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Zion Hill	Horace Sain, Rt.4, Vale 28168	8	5	2	0	10	0	0	1	0	26
TOTALS		92	71	31	123	10	0	10	8	20	365

Table G Total Receipts

Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Doris Upton, Assaciational Treasurer
Rt. 2, Bax 308
Vale, North Carolina 28168

Churches	Treasurers & Addresses	21 Number of tithers	22 Coop. Prog. goal per-cent of tot. budg.	23 Assl. missions goal percent tot. budget	27 Budget promotion or emphasis used during year: Forward Prog.	Alt. Forw. Prog.	Tithers Commit.	Stewardship Rev.	Simplified Budg.	None	126 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	127 All other receipts	128 Total receipts	129 Money borrowed during the year	130 Church staff salaries	131 Money paid out on new construction during the year	132 Debt retirement during the year	133 Church literature	134 All other local expenditures	135 Total local expenditures
Abee's Chapel	Ulen Lawman, Box 27, Valdese 28690	93								x	72,288		72,288		15,018	23,000		839	18,500	57,357
Berea	Russell Huffman, Rt.1, Box 259, Valdese 28690	48	16	3			x				54,914	527	55,441		15,162	2,600	10,355	2,699	24,625	55,441
Beulah	Anna Martha Young, Rt.3, Bax 30, Vale 28168	11	7	3			x				16,452	825	17,277		9,350	425		609	4,108	14,492
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Wesby Carswell, Rt.4, Bax 543, Morgan. 28655	15	2							x	18,882		18,882		10,804	1,225		438	3,431	15,898
Corinth	Jeanette Allen Casar 28020	43								x	36,831		36,831		13,036			1,145	6,604	20,785
Drowning Creek	C.P.Elliatt, Rt.7, Box 251, Hickory 28601	5								x	6,075		6,075		2,105			664	2,883	5,650
Faith Olive	Mrs. Gladys Allen, Rt.8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	20								x	8,962		8,962		4,780			424	2,020	7,224
Grace and Truth	Willie Van Horn, Sr., Rt.7, Box 574 A, Hickory 28601	4	5	5					x		2,183		2,183		520	636	728	30	359	2,273
Hildebran View	Mrs. Sandra Brittain, Rt.1, Bax 273, Conn.Sp.28612																			
Hoyle Memorial	Margaret Brackett, Rt.3, Bax 295 A, Lawndale 28090	4								x	2,981		2,981					79	2,388	2,467
Laurel Haven	Jessie Riddle, Rt.4, Box 658, Morganton 28655	13			x						9,388		9,388		1,415	6,363		129	497	8,404
Midway	Joseph Beaver, Rt.7, Box 5, Hickory 28601	21			x						9,175	278	9,453		5,995			283	2,293	8,571
Mount Calvary																				
Mount Gilead	Mrs. Carrie Buff, Rt.1, Connelly Springs 28612	6								x	15,283	39	15,322		2,514		6,500	174		9,188
Mount Hebron	Dottie Lowman, Rt.3, Box 692, Conn. Spr. 28612	83	10							x	63,898	96	63,994		8,058		28,209	2,708	13,008	51,983
Mount Vernan	Nancy Hendrick, Westgate Dr., Cherryville 28021	41	15	5						x	44,225		44,225		12,850			1,860	23,122	37,832
Mount Zion	Nettie Lee Logan, Rt.1, Casar 28020								x		7,601		7,601		2,620	1,141		172	178	4,111
Mull's Chapel	Katherine Young, Rt.1, Box 270, Conn. Spr. 28612	5								x	19,822	30	19,852		8,881		1,797	378	5,834	16,890
Oak Ridge	Betty Sherrill, 719 Harris, Ave., Valdese 28690	40	8	2						x	48,850	587	49,437	7,000	13,204		4,482	2,295	13,375	33,356
Olive Grove	Kathy Lemmons, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	15								x	28,885	39	28,924		7,500		10,762	592	7,443	26,297
Philadelphia	Helen Lowman, Rt.1, Box 288, Cann.Spr. 28612	40	2	2						x	24,732	471	25,203		10,431	2,625		527	3,095	16,678
Pisgah	Mrs. Troy Warlick, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	20	10	6						x	30,423		30,423		13,700		3,050	830	7,370	24,950
Pleasant Grove	Hubert Lindsay, Rt.4, Box 478, Morganton 28655	10								x	13,269		13,269		3,340			260	3,209	6,809
Saint John's	Sylvia Willis, Rt.4, Box 560, Hickary 28601	18								x	27,834		27,834	5,000	12,580	11,920		1,348	3,036	28,884
Saint Paul	Delbert Walker, Box 13, Fallston 28042	20								x	46,897		46,896	2,612	12,500		2,612	2,269	10,247	27,628
Shoup's Grove	Maggie Huffman, Box 321, Hildebran 28637	56								x	40,944		40,944		10,340			1,290	23,963	35,593
Smart's Grove	Mabel Lowman, Rt.3, Connelly Springs 28612	50							x		34,076		34,076		9,598	1,979		355	11,092	23,024
South Fork	Marie Eckard Rt.4, Box 792B, Hickory 28601	51	9	3						x	36,045		36,045		9,970		11,114	1,073	10,151	32,308
Tabernacle	Mrs. John Glover, Rt.1, Casar 28020	6								x	5,098		5,098	1,000	1,500	650		120	2,830	5,100
Walker's Chapel	Mary A. Carswell, Rt.4, Morganton 28655	14								x	22,168	912	23,080		4,620	10,699	5,320	263	1,443	22,345
Wilkie's Grove	Dolly Bradshaw, Rt.4, Box 745 B, Hickory 28601	45	10	5	5					x	45,206		45,206		14,744		5,720	2,200	4,516	27,180
Zion Hill	Linda B.Cook, Rt.2, Box 221, Lawndale 28090	50	10	5					x		44,803		44,803		15,848		2,741	1,640	15,846	36,075
Zoar	Jim Mauney, Box 1664 Shelby 28150	20								x	5,793		5,793		3,010			406	2,240	5,656
TOTALS		857									843,983	3,804	847,787	15,612	255,993	63,263	93,390	28,099	229,706	670,451

Table H Mission Expenditures Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Rev. Joe Edwards, Director of Associational Missions
764 Lowery St.,
Shelby, N. C. 28150

Churches	Church Clerks & Addresses	136 Church Sponsored Missions: Money pd. out on new constr. dur. year	137 Church Sponsored Missions: All oth. church sponsored missn. expenditures	138 Church Sponsored Missions: Total church spons. mission expenditures	139 Cooperative Program	140 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Associ. mission program	141 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: State missions	142 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Home Miss. (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering	143 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Forgn. Miss. (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas Off.	144 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Design.: SB Christian educ. (schools, etc.)	145 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Children's homes (cash plus gds.)	146 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Hospitals	147 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Homes for aged	148 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: All oth (Bib. Society, Temp. Lg., etc.)	149 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Tot. oth. missn. cause expend.	150 Grand Total Mission expenditures
Abee's Chapel	Ivey Lowman, Rt.1, Box 60Z Valdese 28690	14,300	0	14,300	0	175	50	596	3,027	0	100	150	100	0	4,198	18,498
Berea	Doris Townsend, Rt.3, Box 508 Conn.Spr. 28612	0	0	0	7,200	1,440	285	224	990	221	50	31	19	883	4,143	11,343
Beulah	Peggie Houser, Rt.1, Box 126 B.Conn.Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	338	972	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,310	1,310
Carswell Memorial	Sarah Carswell, Rt.11, Box 469, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	322	211	85	205	554	0	111	52	35	45	1,298	1,620
Corinth	Leonard Newton, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	824	426	463	523	717	193	546	482	0	1,837	5,187	6,011
Drowning Creek	Dot Munday, Rt.3, Box 525 B, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	175	0	22	0	0	0	50	0	25	0	97	27
Faith Olive	Mrs. Gladys Allen, Rt.8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	45	23	0	0	0	0	89	0	26	633	771	816
Grace and Truth	Mrs. John W. Willis, Rt.4, Box 509, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	77	77	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	163
Hildebran View	Mrs. Henry Lowman, Rt.1, Box 273 A, Conn.Spr. 28612															
Hoyle Memorial	Vasco Price, Rt.3, Box 275, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Haven	Linda Summerlin, Rt.4, Box 651, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	165	75	0	39	100	0	34	31	53	40	372	537
Midway	Mrs. Connie Wright, Rt.2, Box 595 D.Conn.Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	18
Mount Calvary																
Mount Gilead	Mrs. Iva Rhoney, Rt.1, Box 221 R, Conn.Spr. 28612	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	100	26	0	76	226
Mount Hebron	Mavin Carswell, Rt.3, Box 784, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	6,305	430	573	909	1,500	0	133	0	53	33	3,631	9,936
Mount Vernon	Lucille Upton, Rt.2, Box 308, Vale 28168	0	0	0	5,788	1,911	260	386	2,000	88	261	0	111	110	5,127	10,915
Mount Zion	Sam Proctor, Rt.1, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	242	0	57	0	0	30	116	39	30	40	312	554
Mull's Chapel	Wanda Haneline, Rt.2, Box 252, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	65	75	77	25	368	0	50	50	50	952	1,647	1,712
Oak Ridge	Sharon B. Wycoff, Rt.2, Box 329, Conn.Spr. 28612	0	410	410	4,625	900	1,150	427	1,809	0	0	0	0	2,275	6,561	11,596
Olive Grove	Mrs. Howard Walker, Rt.1, Box 212, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	161	12	0	236	459	459
Philadelphia	Mrs. Sadie Brittain, Rt.1, Box 128 B.Conn.Spr. 28612	0	0	0	96	465	0	0	123	0	94	54	40	414	1,190	1,286
Pisgah	Mrs. Austin Pruett, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	1,764	100	50	233	400	15	0	15	231	1,123	1,959	3,723
Pleasant Grove	Carl W. Powell, Rt.4, Box 466, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	61	0	1,823	1,884	1,913
Saint John's	Brenda Hinegardner, Rt.4, Box 473 A, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	260	0	0	300	0	0	560	560
Saint Paul	Worth Willis, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	100	0	0	792	234	0	150	0	0	0	1,776	1,876
Shoup's Grove	Jane Paige, Rt.4, Box 812A, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	408	591	996	100	1,731	0	200	25	0	1,300	4,943	5,351
Smart's Grave	Rita Mace, Rt.1, Box 110B, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,771	4,771	4,771
South Fork	Audrey Huffman, Rt.4, Box 767, Hickory 27601	0	0	0	2,339	946	126	625	300	0	114	65	0	0	2,176	4,515
Tabernacle	Ruth N. Glover, Rt.4, Box 143, Conn.Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walker's Chapel	Faye C. Peeler , Rt.1, Box 297, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	240	240	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	50	49	416	567	807
Wilkie's Grove	Pearl Chapman, Rt.4, Box 332 Hickory 28601	0	0	0	4,685	2,246	208	392	1,035	0	135	154	94	0	4,264	8,949
Zion Hill	Mrs. Alvin Cook, Rt.4, Box 286, Vale 28168	0	0	0	3,030	1,429	417	142	1,066	0	111	134	117	0	3,416	6,446
TOTALS		14,300	650	14,950	38,567	11,951	5,791	5,654	16,864	547	2,654	1,805	890	16,996	63,152	116,638

Table I Special Information

Year Ending August 31, 1978

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Rev. Ned Perkins, Moderator
Rt. 12, Box 94
Morganton, North Carolina 28655

Churches	Chairmen of Deacons & Addresses	28 No. church-type missn. started during the year	29 No. church-type missn. currently operating	30 No. other-type missn. started during year	31 No. other-type missn. currently operating	32 No. missions volunteers	33 Annie Armstrong Offering	34 No. participating in Missions Night Out	35 No. adult SS classes started	36 S.S. Workers Mtg. W-wkly M-monthly	37 No. mission S.S.'s started	38 Day care enrollment	39 Christian Day Sch. enrolment	40 Library	41 Planning new bldg. or remod. project	42 Missions Comm.	43 History Comm.	44 10% to Annuity Brd for ministers rel. Pension Fund	45 Week of Prayer	46 F.M. Week of Prayer	47 Deacon training	48 H.M. Grad Ser study	49 On-to-College Day	50 Sr. adult prog.	51 Relig. Lib. Sunday	52 Bapt. Doctrine Study	53 Youth Week	54 World Missions Conf.	55 State paper in budget
														Does church have, observe, plan, use, etc.? Y = Yes N = No													
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourglea, Jr., Rt.1, Box 358 C.Conn.Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	596	0	0	0	0	0	0	y	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Berea	Brady Burns, Rt.3, Box 516 Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	224	0	0	w	0	0	0	y	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	n	n	n	y	n	n	n
Beulah	L.E.Willis, Rt.1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Carswell Memorial	James B. Smith, Rt.4, Box 394, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	205	0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Corinth	J.L.Newton, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	w	0	0	0	y	n	n	y	n	y	y	y	n	n	n	n	y	n	n	n
Drowning Creek		0	0	0	0	0		0	0	m	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Faith Olive	Grady C.Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Grace and Truth	John H. Willis, Rt.4, Box 506, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Hildebran View	Harold D. Lowman, Gen.Del. Hildebran 28637	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Hoyle Memorial	Vasco Price, Rt. 3, Box 275, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Laurel Haven	Jim Hoyle, Rt.4, Box 650, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	y	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Midway	Joseph Beaver, Rt.7, Box 5, Hickory 28601	1	1	1	1	0		0	0	w	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Mount Calvary																												
Mount Gilead	Ronald Rhoney, Rt.1, Box 221 R, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Mount Hebron	Philip Taylor, Rt.3, Box 611, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	909	100	0	m	0	0	0	y	n	n	n	n	y	y	y	n	y	n	n	y	n	n
Mount Vernon	Paul Leatherman, Rt.2, Vale 28168	0	0	0	0	0	386	8	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	y	n	n	y	y	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Mount Zion		0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Mull's Chapel	Edd Keller, 150 41st St., S.W.Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	w	0	0	0	n	n	y	n	n	n	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Oak Ridge	Billy Evans, Rt.3, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	1	427	0	0	m	0	0	0	y	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	n	n	n	y	n	n	n
Olive Grove	Mrs. Hazel Walker, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Philadelphia	Alvin Brittain, 1011 30th St., S.W.Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Pisgah	Jerald Norman, Rt.1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	233	0	0	w	0	0	0	y	n	n	n	y	y	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	y	n
Pleasant Grove	Delbert Walker, Rt. 1, Box 244, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Saint John's	Samuel Huffman, Rt.1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Saint Paul's	Earl Morrison, Rt.3, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	791	0	0	0	0	0	0	y	n	n	n	n	n	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Shoup's Grove	Vance Brittain, Box 1, Icard 28666	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	y	n	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	y	n	n	y	n	n
Smart's Grove	Larry Harmon, Rt.4, Box 395, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
South Fork	John Munday, 407 26th St. S.W. Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	m	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Tabernacle	Floyd Terry Polkville	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	y	n	n	n
Walker's Chapel	Alexander Huffman, Rt.1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	y	n
Wilkie's Grove		0	0	0	0	0	251	0	0	0	0	30	0	y	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
Zion Hill	Warren Yancey, Rt.3, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	1	142	0	0	m	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	y	y	n	y	n	n	y	n	y	n
Zoar	Lester Lail, Rt.3, Box 278, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	n	n	n	n	n	n	y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n
TOTALS		1	1	1	1	1	4,340	108	0	10	0	30	0															

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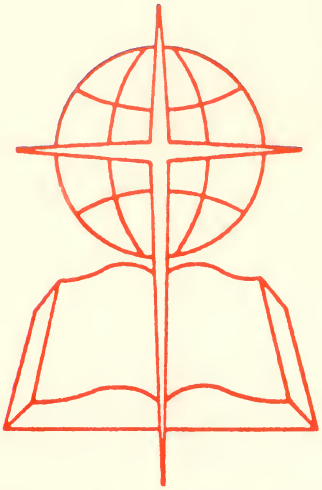

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While it is Yet Day

1979

Minutes

of the

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

Sixty-Ninth Annual Session

First Day ..... *St. Paul*
Second Day ..... *Carswell Memorial*

October 10-11, 1979

1980 Session Will Be Held On Thursday and Friday After The Second Sunday In October October 16-17

First Day ..... *Mt. Hebron*
Second Day ..... *Abee's Chapel*

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Dedication

As an expression of appreciation for her gift of four acres of land to the Association, the Nominating Committee recommended that the 1979 minutes be dedicated to Miss Florence Hoyle.

A lifelong member of Zion Hill, Miss Florence served as secretary for twenty-eight years and ten years in the Nursery Department. Half a set of twins, she is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hoyle and still resides in the old family home. She is now inactive so far as Sunday School and Church Training are concerned but attends worship services. She is retired as a former hosiery mill employee, a cafeteria worker and caterer at Pine Mountain but still enjoys cooking, canning, child care, and entertaining guests.

St. Paul Church was organized in 1871 following the preaching of a Methodist Minister who held the first services in a small grove of pine trees. Later split log pews and a pulpit were constructed in a brush arbor. St. Paul attributed its early growth to new converts and 14 members who came from nearby Pisgah Church. Due to growth and a fire, the church has undergone several remodelings: in 1881, 1890, and 1935. The present brick veneer structure was completed in 1950, dedicated, and stands as a tribute to the Christian effort of the congregation to provide a place of worship and to serve God and His people in their community. Rev. Joe Forbes is pastor of the church, having begun his ministry there in 1977.

In October, 1962, Edward Downs and Gene Bumgarner began preaching in a former corn mill. The church they organized was originally known as Gospel Tabernacle Church. They continued until 1967 when Virgil Glover became pastor. He was succeeded in 1968 by Toney Hull. The name was changed to Tabernacle, and Lawrence Toney served as pastor from 1969 to 1972. The present pastor, John Glover, has served the church since September 10, 1972. The church has recently been remodeled and redecorated.

Carswell Memorial Baptist Church was organized October 16, 1938. Rev. B.B. Brooks was the first pastor. There were seventeen charter members, twelve of whom are still living. The first service in the church was held May 21, 1939. There are presently 139 members with Rev. Michael White serving as pastor.

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

Moderator	Rev. Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale	28090	538-8551
Vice Moderator	Rev. Dean Coffey, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9638
Clerk	Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale	28168	276-2114
Treasurer	Doris Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale	28168	276-2114
Sunday School Director	Mrs. Louise Edwards, 764 Lowery St., Shelby	28150	428-6568
Church Training Director	Jerry Buff, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9596
Woman's Missionary Director	Mrs. Frances Melton, Rt. 8, Box 304, Hickory	28601	397-6245
Brotherhood Director	Joe Goforth, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9556
R.A. Director	Edward McCurry, Rt. 3, Lawndale	28090	
VBS Director	Mrs. Gail Ford, Box 645, Boiling Springs	28017	434-6178
Music Director	Virgil Buff, Box 462, Hildebran	28637	397-3185
Pianist	Mrs. Flo Buff, Box 462, Hildebran	28637	397-3185
Historian	Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale	28168	276-2114
Evangelism Director	Rev. Joe Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar	28020	538-9786
Deacon Director	Terry Childers, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs	28612	879-8166

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS

ZION HILL	Rev. Thomas Berry
PISGAH	Rev. Dean Coffey
MT. VERNON	Lucille Upton
MT. VERNON	Doris Upton
PISGAH	Mrs. Louise Edwards
ST. PAUL	Jerry Buff
WILKIE'S GROVE	Mrs. Frances Melton
ST. PAUL	Joe Goforth
ST. PAUL	Edward McCurry
ZOAR	Mrs. Gail Ford
MT. HEBRON	Virgil Buff
MT. HEBRON	Mrs. Flo Buff
ST. PAUL	Rev. Joe Forbes
OAK RIDGE	Terry Childers

PASTORS

ABEE'S CHAPEL	Buren Hastings, Box 157, Valdese	28690	879-8464
BEREA	Stuart Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 1098, Conn. Spr.	28612	879-8713
BEULAH	Carroll Craig, Rt. 1, Box 78, Newton	28658	464-8773
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	Michael White, 401 Willowbrook Dr. Morganton	28655	433-6855
CORINTH	Cecil Buff, Box 576, Lawndale	28090	538-8652
DROWNING CREEK	Clyde Paige, Rt. 2, Box 586, Conn. Spr.	28612	397-3684
FAITH OLIVE	Berry Lafone, Rt. 2, Box 169, Hickory	28601	256-2045
HILDEBRAN VIEW	S.T. Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273, Conn. Spr.	28612	874-0460

HOYLE MEMORIAL Roy Johnson, Box 295-C, Valdese 28690
LAUREL HAVEN ..... Clyde Houston, Box 3, Icard 28666 397-3984
MIDWAY ..... Lex Wright, Rt. 8, Box 646, Hickory 28601 294-4354
MT. GILEAD ..... Ottis Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020
MT. HEBRON Ralph Gouge, Rt. 3, Box 702, Conn. Spr. 28612 397-3748
MT. VERNON .....
MULL'S CHAPEL ..... Ned Perkins, Rt. 1, Box 149-A, Conn. Spr. 28612 874-0051
OAK RIDGE ..... Keith Starnes, Rt. 2, Conn. Spr. 28612 874-9166
OLIVE GROVE . Terrill Crump, Rt. 1, Box 227-B, Casar 28020 538-7949
PHILADELPHIA . W.E. Keller, Rt. 7, Box 409, Hickory 28601 328-6424
PISGAH ..... Dean Coffey, Rt. 1, Casar 28020 538-9638
PLEASANT GROVE .....
ST. JOHN'S ..... James Bumgarner, Rt. 1, Conn. Spr. 28612 874-0093
ST. PAUL ..... Joe Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar 28020 538-9786
SHOUP'S GROVE ..... Harold Ashe, Box 240, Icard 28666 397-6914
SOUTH FORK ..... Darrell McGuire, Rt. 4, Box 777-K, Hickory 28601 397-7156
TABERNACLE ..... John Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020 538-9769
WALKER'S CHAPEL ..... Harold Kanupp, Rt. 3, Box 888, Conn. Spr. 28612 874-0305
WILKIE'S GROVE ..... Charles McDowell, Rt. 4, Box 470, Hickory 28601 397-6967
ZION HILL ..... Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090 538-8551
ZOAR ..... Robert Ford, Box 645, Boiling Springs 28017 538-6178

VISITORS TO THE ASSOCIATION

Clyde Morris - Representative Baptist Children's Homes
Mrs. Clyde Morris - West Port Church, South Fork Association
Rev. James Lambert - Boone - State Missions Representative
Rev. James M. Saul - Representative of N.C. Baptist Homes for the Aging
Rev. Calvin Knight - Representative of the North Carolina Baptist Hospital
Ms. Nancy Curtis - N.C. Baptist State W.M.U. Leader
Rev. C. Mark Corts - President, Baptist State Convention, Calvary Church, Winston-Salem
D.P. McFarland - Representative of Christian Action League
Jim Simpson - State Church Training Director
Robert Stewart - State Sunday School Representative
Edwin Bullock - State Brotherhood Director
Mrs. Edwin Bullock
Ms. Cleo Dale - Burkemont Church, Catawba River Association
David Evans - Burkemont Church, Catawba River Association
Joy Lindsay - First Baptist Church, Hildebran
Eugene Lindsay - First Baptist Church, Hildebran
Brenda Goodman - Knob Creek Church

MESSENGERS

ABEE'S CHAPEL:	Velvia Hildebrain, Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Lowman, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Setzer, Mr. and Mrs. Max Lowman, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Lail, Gert Barger.
BEREA:	Robert Berry, Brady Burns, Russell Huffman, Mrs. Ruth Huffman, Mrs. Jean Johnson, Junior Grindstaff, Mrs. Brenda Grindstaff.
BEULAH:	Mrs. Minnie Mull, Mrs. Alene Huffman, Mrs. Evan Rhoney, Mrs. Lecie Benfield, Mrs. E.A. Rudisill, Mrs. Amanda Lindsay.
CARSWELL MEMORIAL:	Henry Carswell, Ronnie Hicks, Rick Sain, Sandra White, Becky Smith, Debbie Serra.
CORINTH:	Rev. Cecil Buff, Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Earlie Lail.
DROWNING CREEK:	Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Paige, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Congor, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Munday.
HOYLE MEMORIAL:	Vasco Price, Eva Hoyle, R.A. Brackett.
LAUREL HAVEN:	Arden Smith, Jim Hoyle, Chester Nelson, Minnie Nelson.
MIDWAY:	Rev. and Mrs. Lex Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Weaver, Mrs. Vernie Wright, Mrs. Donnie Chapman.
MT. GILEAD:	Carrie Buff, Mary York, Hazel Smith.
MT. HEBRON:	Mrs. Nell Brittain, Mrs. Mabel Abernathy, Mrs. Mavin Carswell, Mrs. Shirley Bradley, Mrs. Ruth Hoyle, Mrs. Jessie Lindsay.
MT. VERNON:	Mr. and Mrs. Vester Shull, Mrs. Junie Gantt, Mrs. Ola Mae Gantt, Mrs. Eula Pendleton, Mrs. Gladys Hull, Mrs. Vangie Goodman, Lucy Cook, Rev. Harold Dellinger, Rev. D.C. Wesson.
MT. ZION:	Mr. and Mrs. Sam Proctor, Boyd Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Whisnant.
MULL'S CHAPEL:	Carole Corum, Ed Keller, Martin Ayers, Jane Workman, Loyd Workman.
OAK RIDGE:	Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Childers, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Hudson.
OLIVE GROVE:	Rev. Terrill Crump, Kathy Crump, Flavie Cook, Myrtle Walker, Dona Hull, Cleveland Crotts.
PHILADELPHIA:	Rev. W.E. Keller.
PISGAH:	Mr. and Mrs. Paul McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Devinney, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Buff.
PLEASANT GROVE:	Mr. and Mrs. Willie Freedle, Rev. John H. Smart.
ST. JOHN:	Sam and Ruby Huffman, Betty Huffman, James and Kay Bumgarner, Eldon and Brenda Hinegardner.
ST. PAUL:	Mr. and Mrs. Joe Goforth, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Cook, Worth Willis, Mrs. Lussie Willis.
SHOUP'S GROVE:	Billy Gregg, Jane Gregg, Rev. Harold Ashe, Gerald Gregg, Bruce Watson.

SOUTH FORK:	Rev. Darrell McGuire, Dwight Huffman, Faye Shook, Evelyn Webb.
WILKIE'S GROVE:	Annie Sain, Mildred Clark, Bill Clark, Mavis Fortenberry, Jessie Fortenberry, Frances Melton, Rev. Charles McDowell.
ZION HILL:	Mrs. Mary Lail, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cook, Mrs. Bernice Wright, Mrs. Carolyn Towery, Rev. and and Mrs. Thomas Berry, Gary Brackett, Edward McCurry.
ZOAR:	Mrs. Vinia Queen, Mrs. Delia Faye Chapman, Rev. Robert Ford, Lester Lail, Wayne Self.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I - NAME AND MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as the South Mountain Baptist Association of North Carolina.

SECTION 2. The Association shall be composed of members from Missionary Baptist Churches.

SECTION 3. Any Baptist Church may be admitted into this Association upon recommendation of the Committee of Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches and the majority vote of members present at any Executive Committee Meeting or Annual Meeting of the Association.

SECTION 4. Any church may, at her discretion, withdraw from this body.

SECTION 5. This Association may at any meeting, after investigation and report of a duly authorized committee of the Association, by a majority vote declare a dissolution of union with any church deemed corrupt, either in doctrine or practice.

SECTION 6. The Association shall consist of messengers who are members of the affiliated churches as follows:

Each church affiliated with this Association shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every fifty members or major fraction thereof.

SECTION 7. At the Annual Meeting of this Association, a Moderator, a Vice Moderator, a Clerk, and Treasurer shall be chosen by vote and hold office until their successors are elected. A Moderator shall not be eligible to succeed himself after having served in office for two years.

SECTION 8. The meetings of the Association shall be held annually beginning on Thursday after the second Sunday of October unless otherwise ordered by the Association or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

SECTION 1. The prime purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and to promote unity and growth among the churches composing it.

SECTION 2. It shall be the purpose of this Association to enlist all of the Churches into full cooperation with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Evangelism, Christian Education and Social Service.

ARTICLE III - POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

SECTION 1. The Association, when convened in meeting, shall sit as an advisory council and shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the member churches. It may advise, however, with the member churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption or rejection.

SECTION 2. When grievances occur between any member or minority group of any church which is a member of the Association, the Association, the Executive Committee thereof, or the committee designated by one acting for either of these bodies, may advise or give aid in manners which do not infringe on the rights of the local church, and this only on the invitation of the individual or group involved.

SECTION 3. Any church found to be unfaithful to the faith and practices common to the Association shall be encouraged to correct such errors. If the conduct of said church is not corrected and is of such a nature as to alienate said church from the orderly and faithful churches of the Association, the Executive Committee of the Association can recommend that fellowship be withdrawn from said church, and upon a majority vote of the messengers in an annual session, fellowship with such church can be withdrawn.

SECTION 4. For the mutual benefit of the churches composing this Association, it shall be the duty of each church to forward with messengers a written communication to each annual meeting, specifying the names of messengers, statistics of the church for the foregoing year, giving information concerning its spiritual conditions and stating the names of the pastor and other licentiates of ordained ministers connected with the church.

ARTICLE IV - THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1. The Association shall have an Executive Committee to serve as the Association ad interim, assisting in the overall work of the Association with such limitations as may be imposed by the constitution.

SECTION 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Associational officers and the pastor, and the Chairman of the Deacons along with two (2) elected lay persons (male or female) from each church. Ten members shall constitute a quoram. The names of these persons will be furnished annually to the Associational Clerk. If changes occur during the Associational year, these changes should be forwarded to the Clerk.

SECTION 3. At the beginning of each Executive Committee Meeting, a roll call will be taken of each church and its representatives.

SECTION 4. The Executive Committee Meetings shall be on Tuesday after the second Sunday in January, April, July and Tuesday after the first Sunday in October.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of this body shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Brotherhood Director, WMU Director, Vacation Bible School Director, R.A. Leader, Music Director, Pianist, Historian, Evangelism Chairman, and Deacon Director.

SECTION 2. The officers of the Association shall be elected at each regular Annual Meeting of the Association. The Committee on Committees and Nominating Committee shall fill vacancies that may occur in their respective categories between Annual Meetings of the Association by bringing names to the Executive Committee for their approval.

SECTION 3. By virtue of the office, the Associational Director of Missions is considered an officer of the Association and shall be considered an ex-officio member of all Associational Committees. Election to this office shall be completed by two-thirds majority of the Annual Associational Meeting or the Executive Committee. His time of service shall continue until terminated by the request of the Missionary or by majority vote of the Annual Meetings or of the Executive Committee, at which time a notice of intent shall be given.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association to preside over the Annual sessions, special sessions, and at the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term. He shall appoint in advance any other committees he may deem advisable or necessary. Each of these committees shall report at the Annual Meeting for which they are appointed.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence or at his request.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Association in regular and special sessions; to keep accurate records of the quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee; to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the Association; to furnish the churches with the blank letter forms on which to make the Annual reports to the Association; to superintend the printing of the minutes, and to distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible. For this service he shall be paid annually an amount recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all the funds of the Association and to disburse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purposes for which the funds were contributed. He shall render to the Association an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements at the first session of the Annual Meeting. In his absence a member of the Finance Committee shall give this report. The Treasurer shall make available through the Associational Newsletter a quarterly financial report including the contributions of each church in the Association. A quarterly report shall be made available at the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee. For this service he shall be paid annually an amount recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

SECTION 5. The Sunday School Director shall take the initiative in promoting inspirational meetings, study courses, and leadership classes for the churches of the Association; he shall work in cooperation with the denominational Sunday School Agencies in promoting the denominational program; and he will be responsible for coordinating and promoting Vacation Bible School work in conjunction with the Vacation Bible School Director. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

SECTION 6. The Church Training Director shall take the initiative in promoting the regular meetings projected by the State and be available to the churches for help in strengthening the established unions and encourage the organization of new unions in churches within them. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

SECTION 7. The Brotherhood Director shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and be available to the churches to assist in strengthening organizations and programs of existing units. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

SECTION 8. The WMU Director shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and she shall be available to the churches to assist in promoting and establishing new Baptist Women and Baptist Women Auxiliary units, and shall assist in strengthening the organizations and programs of existing units. She shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for her organization.

SECTION 9. The Vacation Bible School Director shall work in conjunction with the Associational Sunday School Director in enlisting and training workers, planning and organizing for the annual Vacation Bible School Clinic.

SECTION 10. The Royal Ambassador Leader shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and be available to the churches to assist in establishing new Royal Ambassador units and shall assist in strengthening the organization and programs of existing units.

SECTION 11. The Music Director shall take the initiative in promoting the meetings and activities suggested by the State Music leadership and be available to the churches to help in strengthening their music programs. The Music Director will also be responsible for the music at Associational and Executive Committee Meetings. He shall also work with the nominating committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

SECTION 12. The Pianist will be responsible for playing the piano at all Associational and Executive Committee Meetings.

SECTION 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts of interest about each of the churches which serve as host to the Association and shall report same to the Association in annual session; a picture of each host church and pastor, if available, will be included in the Associational Minutes. It shall be his duty to report facts of interest about any of the churches of the Association when such a report is requested.

SECTION 14. The Evangelism Chairman will work with the Evangelism Committee in planning, promoting, and coordinating all Evangelistic Activities for the Association.

SECTION 15. The Deacon Director will be an ordained deacon. He will serve as a resource person to the deacons in the local churches of this Association.

ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

SECTION 1. The Committee on Enrollment shall be composed of the Pastor and up to three members of the host church. It shall be the duty of this committee to arrange for the registration of all the messengers and visitors and to make a report to the Association.

SECTION 2. The Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to recommend to the Association the Churches where the next session shall meet and the preacher for the annual sermon at the next session. In order to alleviate a hardship on any one church hosting an Associational Meeting, it is suggested that two or possibly three churches jointly host each meeting. Expenses, meeting places, and other arrangements will be coordinated by the churches selected.

SECTION 3. The Committee on Resolutions shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiments on

any matter chosen by the committee or as directed by the messengers of the session.

SECTION 4. The Committee on Committees shall be composed of five appointed members. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare for approval of the Association the names of persons to serve on the following committees: Nomination, Finance, Ordination of Minsters, Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches, Trustees, Evangelism, Missions, South Mountain Camp, Seminary Extension , Constitution and By-Laws, Youth Council, Building and Grounds, Time-Place-Preacher, and resolutions. The Committee on Committees shall also designate a chairperson for each committee.

SECTION 5. The Program Committee shall be composed of the general officers of the Association. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare and present a suggested order of business to be adopted by the Association. When adopted, the program becomes the order of business unless changed by common consent or by vote of the body.

SECTION 6. The Committee on Nominations shall be composed of five members. It shall be the duty of the committee to prepare for the Association the names of individuals as nominees for the following offices: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Treasurer, Clerk, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, Vacation Bible School Director, R.A. Director, Brotherhood Director, Pianist, Historian, Committee on Committees, Deacon Director, Evangelism Chairman, and Associational State Representatives. It shall also be the duty of this committee to name for the approval of the Association individuals who shall bring to the next annual meeting brief written reports on Public Morals and Temperance, Christian Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Hospitals, Homes for the Aging, Children's Homes, Religious Literature, Christian Stewardship/Cooperative Program, Annuity Program, Obituaries, Christian Life Council, and American Bible Society. Nominations by this Committee shall not preclude nominations from the floor. This committee shall make nominations for vacancies that may occur during the year. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Brotherhood Director, Women's Missionary Auxiliary Director, and Music Director shall work with the Nominating Committee in selecting officers for their respective organizations. This committee will also make recommendations of persons to whom the Annual Associational Minutes may be dedicated. (Note: All churches in the Association are encouraged to submit names of those persons who have made outstanding contributions to the work of the Association. This information must be submitted to the Nominating Committee prior to August 15th of each year.)

SECTION 7. The Finance Committee shall be composed of five members. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare and recommend the budget for the Association and to suggest ways and means whereby the budget can be raised by the local churches and to secure the cooperation of the churches in raising the budget. The Finance Committee will present the proposed budget on the first day of the annual Associational Meeting with discussion and adoption scheduled for the second day. The Finance Committee shall meet prior to the quarterly Executive Committee meeting, and a report shall be prepared for presentation to the quarterly Executive Committee meeting.

SECTION 8. The Committee on Ordination of Ministers shall be composed of three active members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee, when called upon, to examine and/or assist in the ordination of a candidate for the gospel ministry. The Association advocates the following procedure in the ordination of ministers:

A. A candidate seeking ordination to the Baptist ministry should have the confidence, the approval and the commendation of the church of which he is a member. It is the belief that any candidate should have received a call to some specific position in Christian service.

B. The committee, upon prior request of the church of at least two weeks notice, where possible, shall convene an examining council composed of this committee and the pastor of the ordaining church.

C. The council will proceed to examine the candidate concerning his conversion, his call to the ministry, his views of Christian doctrine, his attitude toward the denomination and his educational attainments, and plans. The candidate will then be excused and the council in executive session shall determine whether to recommend his ordination.

D. The council shall then submit its recommendation to the local church, which will arrange the service of ordination, if appropriate.

SECTION 9. The Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to examine all requests made to the Association by groups seeking admission into the Association. This committee shall make its study in accordance with the principles set forth in ARTICLE VIII, and in light of its findings, make on of the following decisions as a recommendation to the Association and/or the Executive Committee at the proper time: (a) that the church requesting admission be accepted under the watchcare of the Association for one year; (b) that action on the request be delayed until the next Annual Meeting of the Association and/or the Executive Committee; (c) that the church requesting admission be accepted into the fellowship of the Association if it has complied with the principles set forth in ARTICLE VIII; or (d) that the request for membership be rejected.

SECTION 10. The committee of Trustees shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of the Trustees to act as legal representatives of the Association in all matters relating to law; to sign all legal documents as directed by the Association; and to exercise the power, under instructions of the Associations or Executive Committee, to hold, buy, sell, and convey property, both real and personal, and to sign all papers necessary for the purchase or conveyance.

SECTION 11. The Missions Committee shall be composed of five members, and this committee shall report to and cooperate with the Executive Committee of the Association. The duties of this committee are: (a) to coordinate and help promote through the organizations and committees all phases and activities of the Associational program; (b) to cooperate with the local churches in making surveys of areas which, in the opinion of the Missions Committee, are not being adequately served by local Missionary Baptist work, and to promote and develop those new phases of the Missions program; (c) to serve in an advisory capacity to the Director of Missions in all matters pertaining to his work and to serve with him in directing and promoting the mission program of the Association; (d) to provide information and assistance to the Department of State Missions of the North Carolina Baptist Convention in meeting local missionary needs, such as missionary pastor's assistance, promoting missions causes, etc; (e) the Missions Committee shall meet prior to the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association or at any other time necessary to discharge its duties; (f) this committee will also have the following responsibilities relating to the office of Director of Missions:

1. Serve as a search committee for a Director of Missions
2. Recommend to the Executive Committee the name of the nominee
3. Coordinate financial aid matters with Baptist State Convention

4. Serve as liaison between churches and Director of Missions

SECTION 12. The Seminary Extension Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to decide on place and time for the meetings, obtaining qualified teachers and other officers, securing of books and materials, setting up curriculum, providing adequate publicity and any other suggestions as provided by the Seminary Extension Department of the Southern Baptist Convention. This committee shall have its own Secretary/Treasurer and maintain its own checking account; it shall receive and disburse monies as required. Financial reports will also be submitted quarterly to the Associational Executive Committee, and Annual reports forwarded to the Associational Clerk for inclusion in the Book of Reports.

SECTION 13. The Evangelism Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to plan, promote, coordinate, and enlist the churches of our Association in an annual emphasis in Biblical Evangelism - i.e. Lay Witness Training, Evangelism Conferences, simulanteous revivals, Youth led evangelistic efforts, etc.

SECTION 14. The Constitution and By-Laws Committee shall be composed of three members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to review and up-date the Constitution and By-Laws as it becomes necessary. This committee will recommend revisions and amendments concerning the Constitution and By-Laws to the Association as deemed necessary.

SECTION 15. The South Mountain Baptist Camp Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. This committee will serve as a liaison between the Director of the South Mountain Camp and the churches in this Association in promoting the programs sponsored by the Camp. Committee members are encouraged and welcomed to participate in the programs held at South Mountain Baptist Camp.

SECTION 16. The Youth Council Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. Membership shall be as follows: (a) two Senior High School Students; (b) two College Age Students; and (c) one Single Adult who will act as chairperson for this committee. The purpose of this committee will be to plan, coordinate, and enlist the youth of the churches of our Association for an ongoing program of Spiritual and School ministeries. They are advised to seek the leadership and guidance of the Director of Youth Ministeries of the Baptist State Convention of Raleigh.

SECTION 17. The Associational Council shall be composed of the following:

Director of Missions, Chairman; Moderator; Associational Clerk, Secretary; Music Director; Sunday School Director; Church Training Director; Brotherhood Director; WMU Director; R.A. Director; Finance Committee Chairman; Missions Committee Chairman; Deacon Director; Seminary Extension Committee Chairman; Evangelism Committee Chairman; Youth Council Chairperson. It shall be the duty of this committee to provide for communication between Associational officers, organizations, and committees; study church needs in the Association and needs of the people in the area of the Association; propose long-range and short-range goals for the Association; review and coordinate plans made by the organizations and committees and relate these to the attainment of goals; and prepare the Associational calendar.

SECTION 18. The Building and Grounds Committee shall be composed of four members. It shall be the duty of this committee to inspect and maintain the Associational office building, its contents and grounds.

ARTICLE VIII - PETITIONARY LETTERS AND CONSTITUTION OF CHURCHES

Any group of baptized believers in Christ desiring to organize themselves into a missionary Baptist Church with the purpose of seeking the recognition of and fellowship and cooperate with this Association shall be requested to fulfill the following requirements:

SECTION 1. They shall submit their request for admission to the Director of Missions, or in his absence, to the Moderator, who will review this request and subsequently submit it to the Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches Committee. In addition to this request, the requesting church must also furnish a detailed report of its work since its organization, a copy of the church covenant, and its articles of faith.

SECTION 2. Any church seeking admission into the fellowship of the Association must be under the watchcare of the Association for at least one full year before it can be admitted. During this interim period the church shall be expected to have a part in the support of the causes fostered by the Association, the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, and the Southern Baptist Convention.

SECTION 3. The findings of the Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches will be reported *at* the *Annual Associational meeting or* at the *Executive Committee Meeting* with a recommendation in accordance with ARTICLE VII, Section 9.

SECTION 4. If the church is accepted under the watchcare of the Association, the Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches will recommend at the end of that year the church be accepted into full fellowship provided that an examination of that year's work done and a study of the cooperative spirit of that church proves to be in accordance with the principles of the churches of the Association. A two-thirds majority vote *of* the *messengers/Executive Committee members* present shall be needed for such action to be completed.

ARTICLE IX - ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

SECTION 1. The purpose of the Director of Missions shall be to promote unity and growth among the churches of the South Mountain Baptist Association. He will seek to enlist all of the churches into full cooperation with the South Mountain Baptist Association, N.C. Baptist State Convention, and Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of missions, evangelism, Christian Education, and Social Services.

SECTION 2. The Director of Missions will be nominated by the Missions Committee and elected by the Executive Committee or the Association; a two-thirds majority vote is required from those present.

SECTION 3. The Director of Missions will be responsible to the Association through the Missions Committee and the Executive Committee for the faithful performance of his duties.

ARTICLE X - DENOMINATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Association will elect annually representatives for Stewardship/Cooperative Program, Baptist Children's Homes, Baptist Hospital, Biblical Recorder, Homes for the Aging, Annuity, and Christian Life Council, and other such denominational workers as the Association may desire. It shall be the duty of these representatives to call attention to and promote the ministry of these institutions

or agencies within the Association and bring an annual report of these ministries to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting provided two-thirds of the members present concur; such amendments must be presented on the first day of the annual meeting. Action on such amendments shall be deferred until the second day of the annual meeting. It is suggested that all changes and recommendations of amendments be previously submitted to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee for their careful consideration; however any messenger has the right to submit proposed changes in accordance with this article.

BY - LAWS

1. All Associational meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. "Roberts' Rules of Order" shall be used as the parliamentary to all Associational meetings.
3. All Associational officers shall exercise authority over their departments and shall give a financial accounting for monies expended.
4. Election and installation of officers shall take place on the last day of the annual Associational meeting, and these officers shall be responsible for planning, coordinating, and providing leadership for the coming Associational year.

PROCEEDINGS

SIXTY-NINTH SESSION OF SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

1. Somewhat overcast skies had little effect on the spirits of both delegates and visitors as they assembled in the sanctuary of St. Paul Baptist Church for the beginning of the sixty-ninth session of the South Mountain Baptist Association. A Welcoming and Enrollment Committee made each person feel at home and appropriate program material was distributed.
2. The showing of the film entitled "Bold Sharing" served as a good introduction and set the pace for the planned program.
3. Rev. Ned Perkins, Moderator, sounded the gavel and called to order the regular session.
4. The group joined in singing the hymn "How Firm a Foundation" with Kenneth Sain leading and Mrs. Louise Edwards at the piano.
5. Devotional thoughts were given by Rev. John Glover, pastor of Tabernacle, the co-host church.
6. A warm and cordial welcome was extended to all those in attendance, and attention was called to the displays of Sunday School and Church Training materials.
7. The clerk, Lucille Upton, recommended the acceptance of the program as prepared by the committee. Upon receiving a favorable vote, this became the agenda for the day's session.
8. Committees to perform duties during the current session were named by the Moderator. They were:

Time, Place, and Preacher - Harold Cantrell, Chairman, Robert Berry, Mrs. Verona McNeilly, Ernest Rhoney

Resolution - Rev. Harold Ashe, Chairman, Mrs. Bernice Gouge, Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry, Rev. Clyde Houston

Enrollment - St. Paul: Lisa Bradshaw, Carol Campbell, Steven Earl, Joey Forbes, Marty Green, Jimmy Green, Julius Wortman

Carswell Memorial: Kathy Cook, Karen Carswell, Mike White, Henry Carswell, Teresa Carswell

9. Thomas Berry presented the report on the Baptist Hospital. After moving for adoption, the delegate assembly voted acceptance. He then presented Rev. Calvin Knight, the representative from the Baptist Hospital who gave an interesting and informative report on activities and services of this most worthwhile institution.

10. The Baptist Annuity Board report, submitted by Thomas Berry, was accepted upon his recommendation for adoption.

11. After presenting and receiving a favorable vote to accept her report on the Baptist Homes for the Aging, Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry introduced Mr. Jim Saul, the representative for the Homes for the Aging supported by Northe Carolina Baptists. We were given a new and enlightening insight into the work being done in behalf of our Senior Citizens. He issued a challenge for continued but increased support through the new combined State Missions Offering.

12. In addition to presenting the report on the Children's Homes, Rev. Cecil Buff urged support of the program to relieve world hunger. His move for adoption was favorably received.

13. We heard an interesting and informative report on increased services being administered through the child care program given by C.J. Morris. He brought greetings from Dr. Wagoner and the staff and urged increased support of the entire program through the Cooperative Program.

14. The report of the Executive Committee portraying activities of the group throughout the past year was presented by Lucille Upton, Clerk. Her move for adoption was accepted by the assembly.

15. During the Miscellaneous Business Session, the Constitution was presented by Charles McDowell. After pointing out omissions and addenda, Rev. McDowell asked the body to read carefully and give consideration to proposals, acting for adoption in the session of the second day. A special prayer session was announced for 11:00 a.m. on October 16 at Mull's Chapel. The pastors and their wives are to meet on October 29 at the Associational Office.

16. Doris Upton presented the Treasurer's report pointing out both receipts and expenditures for the past year. Her explanation of the fund set up to pay off office indebtedness was received with enthusiasm and rejoicing and the group voted to accept the entire report.

17. The proposed budget for the new year was presented by Delbert Walker who pointed out changes and gave explanations for the proposed changes. Delegates will study this budget carefully and take action on Friday.

18. The moderator explained the changed schedule for our meeting and offered his apology for the slight mix-up.

19. A program of special music presented by Karen Hull and Gary Brackett was greatly appreciated.

20. The annual message entitled "The Second Coming of the Lord" was delivered by Rev. Charles McDowell, pastor of Wilkie's Grove. Basing his message on the scripture passage from John 14:1-3, he cited current problems faced by Christians

and urged that we believe and look for His return. A prayer of commitment concluded his doctrinal message.
21. Rev. Joe Forbes, pastor of St. Paul, the host church, brought greetings, gave instructions for conveniences and the serving of the evening meal, and pronounced the benediction/blessing.
22. Following adjournment, the group moved to the church Fellowship Building where a bountiful and delicious evening meal was enjoyed by everyone. We appreciate the hospitality of the congregations of St. Paul and Tabernacle Churches.

THURSDAY EVENING

23. When the evening session reconvened, Rev. Dean Coffey, Vice Moderator, presided and called the assembly to order.
24. The congregation joined in the hymn "When We All Get to Heaven" with Kenneth Sain leading and accompanied by Mrs. Louise Edwards.
25. In behalf of his entire congregation, Rev. Joe Forbes welcomed all those present for the associational meeting. They left nothing lacking in the cordiality and helpfulness offered to each messenger and visitor.
26. Visitors who came for the evening session were recognized.
27. Rev. Joe Edwards, Director of Missions, acknowledged new and transferred pastors and had them introduce themselves. Ned Perkins from Carswell Memorial to Mull's Chapel; Stuart Johnson, new pastor of Berea; Michael White, new pastor at Carswell Memorial; Dean Coffey from Mt. Zion to Pisgah. All pastors in attendance were recognized.
28. The report of the Enrollment Committee showed an attendance of 193 messengers and visitors representing 25 churches.
29. Devotional thoughts based upon verses found in Matthew 9:35-38 were brought by Rev. Harold Ashe.
30. Representatives from the churches were encouraged to secure and carry back to their respective churches the free literature which had been on display during the afternoon and evening.
31. Rev. Joe Forbes, in his report on Evangelism, noted the success of the second Lay Evangelism School and moved the adoption of his prepared report. The group voted to accept it as presented.
32. An inspiring and challenging message on State Missions was brought to the assembly by Rev. James Lambert, representing the State Baptist Convention. He informed us concerning the new combined State Missions Offering covering all institutions sponsored by our Convention.
33. Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry presented and moved for adoption her report on Home Missions and the delegate assembly voted favorably.
34. The Foreign Mission Report submitted by Mrs. Aileen Berry was presented by Thomas Berry and was accepted upon his motion for adoption.
35. Rev. Harold Ashe presented to the group the report on Stewardship/ Cooperative Program and was given a vote of acceptance in compliance with his recommendation for adoption.
36. The W.M.U. Report was accepted as prepared and presented by Mrs. Frances Melton.
37. The W.M.U. representative from Raleigh, Ms. Nancy Curtis, stirred our hearts and challenged us in her presentation of the tremendous need for greater concern and involvement in the work promoted by the denomination and carried on in our individual churches. She inspired us to be more concerned about the lost and enter into "Life-Changing Commitments."
38. The report of the Director of Missions, Rev. Joe Edwards, was accepted

following his move for adoption. His comments informed us of the formation and activities of the newly established Steering Committee.
39. A highlight of the evening program was the musical presentation of three songs by the Oak Ridge Choir. We appreciate their presence and appearance in such an enjoyable program of music.
40. In his Moderator's Address, Rev. Ned Perkins noted achievements of the past year but kept us aware of the need for greater effort in the future if dreams are to become realities. He outlined areas of need, reasons for failure, and requirements for success. His was a challenging and inspiring message to individuals as well as churches.
41. A brief preview of the program and activities planned for the second day's sessions with Carswell Memorial Church was given by Rev. Joe Edwards.
42. The benediction was given by Rev. Joe Edwards and after monents of Christian fellowship, the delegated departed to reassemble on Friday for the second day's sessions.

Friday Afternoon

43. Beautiful and mild weather along with the beauty of nature greeted messengers and visitors as they gathered into the sanctuary of Carswell Memorial Church for the final day of the scheduled meeting of the South Mountain Annual Association.
44. The sound of the gavel preceded the call to order by Rev. Dean Coffey, presiding as Vice Moderator and indicating the beginning of the day's program.
45. With Rick Sain leading and Mrs. Louise Edwards accompanying at the piano, the congregation joined in the hymn "To God Be the Glory."
46. Michael White, pastor of Carswell Memorial, conducted the devotions for the afternoon session. Reading from Deuteronomy 10:11, making brief but appropriate comments, he concluded with prayer.
47. Rev. Coffey expressed appreciation to the church congregation and pastor for their hospitality in entertaining the Associational Meeting.
48. A preliminary report of the Enrollment Committee indicated 82 messengers, 59 visitors, making a combined attendance of 141 from 28 churches.
49. The reading of the minutes of the previous day's meetings was presented by the Associational Clerk and a vote of acceptance was given.
50. In the absence of Cecil Cook, a motion was made to accept his report prepared and submitted on Religious Literature and the body accepted the proposal.
51. Rev. Keith Starnes, pastor of Oak Ridge, moved adoption of his report on Public Morals and Temperance, and his motion carried.
52. Speaking to the issues involved in Public Morals and Temperance was Rev. D.P. McFarland. We were pleased to have Rev. McFarland with us to represent the Christian Action League. His comments were enlightening and challenging concerning action being taken by our state representatives to overthrow and disregard previous action taken in opposing alcoholic beverages. He urged Christians to register opposition to such action and to contact local law makers voicing opposition to pornography as well as alcoholic beverages and then resort to prayer and active support of the Christian Action League and the new president, Tom Freeman.
53. The Sunday School Report was accepted as prepared and presented by Rev. Ralph Gouge. He urged greater concern for the lost and challenged all churches to aim for an increase in the number of baptisms.
54. We were pleased to have Robert Stewart speak to us concerning

Sunday School work. He outlined the two-fold task of the church as reaching and teaching. His statistical figures of 52 percent of the people not enrolled in any Sunday School should stir every Christian and every church to increase effort in the community to reach these unchurched, untaught individuals for their own sakes as well as the strengthening of the churches.
55. The delegate assembly voted to accept the Seminary Extension Report given by Rev. Charles McDowell. He announced new courses, increased financial support and credit transfer to colleges as reasons for greater cooperation, support, and increased benefits.
56. Rev. Ned Perkins presented the report of the Missions Committee and upon his motion for adoption, the assembly voted acceptance.
57. The Church Training Report was given by Jerry Buff, Associational Director. He reported one new organization and a successful church Training Conference during the year.
58. Rev. Jim Simpson, State Church Training Director, presented a plea for an improved program of church participation in training, citing the great commission given in Matthew 28:19-20 as an order to move forward. He proceded to outline some basic needs for success: sound doctrinal foundation, trained effective leadership, different attitudes, Biblical evangelism, and use of God-given talents and gifts.
59. Rev. Joe Edwards publicized the formation of the Associational Council and moved adoption of the report which was favorably accepted.
60. In the absence of Loyd Workman, the delegate assembly voted to accept the report of the Building and Grounds Committee.
61. David Carter, Youth Director of Pisgah, presented a special musical program. His selections included "Give Them All to Jesus" and "Ten Thousand Years."
62. It was with pleasure that Rev. Joe Edwards presented our special speaker, Rev. C. Mark Corts, pastor of Calvary Church, Winston-Salem, who is presently serving as President of the Baptist State Convention.
63. The theme of Rev. Corts' message was "Bold Missions" and reading from 2 Kings 7, he made application to today's problems facing us in the South Mountain Association. He listed five obstacles to be overcome if progress is to be made:

a. Hunger (for the Word of God)
b. Ridicule (of fellow Christians)
c. Spirit of Fatalism (nothing we can do)
d. Selfishness (misplaced priorities)
e. Doubt (enemy of good news)

Five positives about Bold Missions:

a. God prepares men's hearts
b. God gives a sense of responsibility
c. God brings deliverance
d. God overcomes barriers (pastors free to preach and deacons serve rather than dictate)
e. God satisfies man's needs

This was an unusual treat to have an opportunity to hear the State Convention President and no one was disappointed.
64. Rev. Michael White gave instructions for conveniences and the serving of the evening meal and pronounced the benediction/blessing.

65. The group proceeded to the Fellowship Hall and enjoyed a bountiful and delicious meal. The church is to be congratulated on their fine hospitality and deserved every compliment they received.

Friday Evening

66. Rev. Ned Perkins, the Moderator, presided and called to order the final session of the annual Associational meeting.
67. The group joined in singing the hymn "One Day" led by Kenneth Sain and accompanied by Mrs. Edwards.
68. Devotional thoughts given by Rev. Harold Kanupp, pastor of Walker's Chapel, consisted of scripture from Mark 1:38, comments and prayer.
69. The official and cordial welcome was extended to both messengers and visitors by Rev. Michael White, pastor of Carswell Memorial.
70. Special guests and visitors were recognized.
71. The report of the Enrollment Committee showed the total attendance of 141 (59 visitors, 82 messengers) from 28 of our churches.
72. Rev. Harold Ashe represented the Resolutions Committee in presenting the appreciations to the churches and officers for such a good annual session.
73. The report on Christian Education was accepted by the delegates upon the recommendation for adoption by Russell Huffman. The speaker for our Baptist Colleges and Universities was introduced by Mr. Huffman.
74. Mr. Robert Abrams of Gardner-Webb College was the speaker on Christian Education. He presented a generally informative overview of our seven Baptist institutions of higher education, stressing religious as well as academic programs and urging prayer and support for each of them.
75. The Brotherhood Report was presented by Joe Goforth, and upon his motion for adoption the report was accepted. He then introduced the speaker.
76. Mr. Edward Bullock, State Director of Brotherhood, discussed the importance of the involvement of men in the mission activities of the churches, association, and state declaring that "when men know, they care, they pray, they give, they go!"
77. The report on the South Mountain Baptist Camp was given by Rev. T.A. Lineberger who was enthusiastic in his presentation concerning baptisms, rededications and commitments to special service of campers. He emphasized the importance of prayer for both staff members and campers and urged continued support of the camp program.
78. Coming up for adoption, since its presentation on the previous day, was the proposed 1979-1980 budget. Delbert Walker gave full explanation of proposed budget figures, noting changes. Upon his recommendation the delegate body voted to accept the report.
79. The report of the Committee on Committees was presented by Mr. J.C. Buff, who served as a committee member. Some sixty persons were contacted and volunteered to serve in the various capacities during the coming year. We appreciate those who serve us throughout the year.
80. In the absence of Becky Smith, it was moved and seconded that her report on the youth be adopted. The assembly voted to accept the report as submitted.
81. Rev. Charles McDowell reintroduced the previously presented draft of the Constitution and By-laws as prepared by his committee. He called attention to the omissions and added items and requested adoption since at the annual session is the only time constitutional changes can be effected.

His proposal for adoption was accepted.
82. The job description for the Director of Missions will come under the jurisdiction of the Missions Committee and is subject to change at the discretion of the Executive Committee. This proposed change was accepted.
83. The group joined in the singing of the hymn "I Am Resolved" with Kenneth Sain and Louise Edwards leading and accompanying.
84. There being no special item of business to be considered, we heard the report of the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee. This committee accepted the previous recommendation of the Executive Committee and has arranged a schedule of meeting places for five years, with smaller churches serving as co-hosts. The 1980 sessions will be held on October 16-17, with Mt. Hebron and Abee's Chapel Churches. The message will be by Rev. Ralph Gouge with Rev. Keith Starnes as alternate.
85. The report of the Nominating Committee was accepted as presented by the chairman, Charlie Townsend.
86. Rev. Perkins conducted the installation service, presenting the gavel to Thomas Berry, the new moderator. He will be assisted by Rev. Dean Coffey as vice-moderator.
87. Memorial thoughts were given with the reading of the names of those whom we have lost by death. A moment of silent meditation and a memorial prayer constituted the obituary report given by Lucille Upton.
88. In lieu of a report by the historian, a request was made for old copies of minutes and documents which would help in establishing an authentic historical record by the association during its sixty-nine years of existence.
89. The St. Paul Quartet favored the assembly by presenting three special numbers: "Sweetest Song I Know," "I'll Live," and "That Old Ship of Zion." Their singing was most enjoyable and inspiring.
90. It was announced that the current copy of the minutes would be dedicated to Miss Florence Hoyle of Zion Hill Church.
91. The annual session was concluded by the benediction given by Rev. Ned Perkins.

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

The year 1978 was a "banner year" and a year of challenge for the Annuity Board in servicing churches and agencies of the SBC, according to Dr. Darold H. Mordan, president.

Among the challenges he listed were: extremes of market variations, staggering pressures of escalating costs, changes in personnel and organization, and the eroding presence of governmental regulations.

The banner side highlights included:

1. A "13th Check" equalling an additional full month's benefits and amounting to $1,036,914 was mailed to almost 10,000 annuitants in Board retirement programs.

2. A total of $25,558,637 was paid in retirement and protection benefits. Insurance benefits through church, agency, and seminarian programs topped $13 million.

3. An Endowment Department, designed to seek funds for undergirding protection programs, was established. A goal of $25 million by 1988 was set.

4. New churches in the retirement program numbered 630, a record enrollment. New pastors and church employees totaled 2,545 with 3,721 members upgraded programs.

5. Participants in the new Southern Baptist Retirement Program grew to 6,066. Family Benefit Section (Plan A) counted 23,986 members, and Age Security Section (Plan B) recorded a marked increase from 33,062 in 1977 to 44,324. Variable Benefit Section (Plan C) membership declined from 4,885 to 4,217.

6. Premium income reached $51,797,996 (includes relief). Total assets climbed to $569,734,471, compared with $498,977,661 a year earlier.

In North Carolina, as of March 31, 1979, 2,953 staff members of 2,290 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program.

In South Mountain Association, 20 churches and 21 staff members are participating in the retirement program.

Is your church providing for your Pastor's future?

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Berry

ASSOCIATIONAL COUNCIL

The Associational Council was organized and began functioning this past year. The committee has met on two occasions: the first was for the purpose of preparing the Annual Associational Calendar, and on the second meeting the committee dealt with some Associational needs/goals which are as follows:

1. The Association become self-supporting financially within the next few years. The N.C. Baptist State Convention has been assisting our Association for several years; this past year we were granted approximately $3,000.00 We can become self-supporting if each of our churches will do its part. It is our hope and prayer that this goal will materialize.

2. A proposal was made by Delbert Walker to raise money within the Association to pay off the office building and do some needed repairs. Approximately $2100.00 was raised through our churches; the office building debt has been paid off and storm windows installed, as well as underpining the building.

3. A suggestion was made in regards to keeping our churches informed about Associational meetings, projects, goals, etc. We are trying to accomplish this goal through newsletters, pastors'conferences, executive committee meetings, etc.

4. Survey Associational area to determine ministry needs, i.e. Rest Homes, Hospitals, Trailer Parks, Migrants, etc...

5. The council felt that there was a definite need to do some long range planning (Strategy Planning) within the very near future.

We as an Association could make an impact for our Lord Jesus Christ if only we would combine our efforts, look at the needs outside of our own immediate church family, and determine how we will meet these challenging needs. This is planning! Your Associational Council stands ready to help you dream and plan for the new Associational year. Let's all join forces and work together for our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe R. Edwards, Chairman

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

Children in the care of the Baptist Children's Homes are like children anywhere you find them. They are looking to and receiving guidance from caring adults, their minds are being enriched in appropriate educational development, their spiritual needs are being attended, they are happily at play and they are contributing to the lives of the people close to them. Many of them are finding it possible to become a part of a re-established family because the important relatives in their lives are served by the Children's Homes while the child is in their care.

There is a continuing need in our society for existing programs of service. Flexibility and change are the order of the day for the Baptist Children's Homes to meet whenever human need is expressed as the family confronts societal pressures. This is a real challenge.

Piedmont North Carolina families have ready access to statewide services offered by the Baptist Children's Homes. The institution's administrative offices are located in Thomasville and provide a supportive resource. Mills Home is located there as well, to offer group care, social work, counsel, education, religious training and referral.

A Family Services Center, headquartered in Charlotte and serving eight surrounding counties, has successfully piloted the concept of community based services and is another resource in emergency care to all the piedmont. The piedmont also has an emergency care center in Burlington, a specialized program at Wall Home, foster homes services, the Child Development Center at Mills Home, and other family education services available to all of North Carolina.

A major portion of the 1978-79 operating budget of the Homes comes from the local church through the Cooperative Program, Special Gifts, and the traditional Thanksgiving offering. This has helped make it possible to operate thus far this year within the income. We are prayerfully concerned, and optomistic, that sufficient funds will continue to come to provide needed services to families and children.

Pastors, other church leaders, and Associational leaders are asking for help in ministering to families. Services of the Homes are being localized as rapidly as possible in order to join hands with concerned people.

Respectfully submitted,
Cecil Buff

Note: Above information was quoted as received from Baptist Children's Homes.

BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING REPORT

This has been a year of great significance and celebration in the life of our North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging. We would give praise and thanksgiving to God especially, and to our Baptist pastors and churches throughout North Carolina for the victories that we have experienced!

Of outstanding importance has been the completion, dedication, and occupancy of our new Western N.C. Baptist Home in Asheville. This lovely new Home, accomodating 50 additional residents, was dedicated to the glory of God on April 29, 1979.

The new apartment complex in Winston-Salem, accommodating 16, has been completed and all of the apartments have either been filled or assigned. With older apartments, built in 1961, there are a total of five duplex apartments, accomodating 20 persons. With the apartment complex, the six Baptist Homes for the Aging, and the skilled nursing facility, 300 persons can be served in our Baptist Homes. Homes are located in the following places: Resthaven, The Hayes Home, Apartment, The Skilled Nursing Unit in Winston-Salem; the Albemarle Home in Albemarle; the Hamilton Home in Hamilton; the Yanceyville Home in Yanceyville; the Western N.C. Baptist Home in Asheville.

Financially, this has been a crucial year in our Baptist Homes, since we did not have our usual 3rd Sunday of February offering which makes up 16% of our total budget. We have had to move into our endowment funds in order to operate and to keep the ship afloat, since the usual $300,000.00 that we receive from the Special offering was delayed until we receive the N.C. Missions offering in September.

Support through the Cooperative Program for our Homes, which supplies about 8% of our total budget continues in a steady and encouraging manner.

Through the love gifts of N.C. Baptists five out of every six people, who cannot pay the full cost of care, are supplemented. This, therefore, is a ministry of Christian love and compassion at its best in the lives of those dear older people who are in our care.

Ministry to an older person is a ministry as unto Christ Himself. We trust that you will keep this vital ministry close to your heart and in your prayers, and that your gifts will enable us not only to minister to those in our care, but encourage us to expand this desperately needed ministry in our Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry

*Information supplied by the N.C. Baptist Homes for the Aging.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Although growth in bed capacity at Baptist Hospital has leveled off at just under 700 beds, there is continuing expansion to the hospital's service. This expansion results from new discoveries made through medical research, and is in response to the health care needs of people.

During the past year a 38-bed rehabilitation unit has opened to offer short-term services and family instruction to the disabled. The chief beneficiaries of this program are patients, with strokes, arthritis, burns, long-term casts, joint replacement surgery, brain tumors, spinal cord injuries, hand injuries, and some cardiac problems.

A new six-bed burn unit is scheduled to open soon.

An automatic clinical analyzer, the first of its kind in the state has been acquired and put into operation. This fully automated analyzer, which uses computer technology, can perform more than 200 tests. It analyzes blood serum and body fluids and provides results in less than eight minutes.

Another new ministry is a program of home visitation for children with cancer and their families. A team consisting of physicians, nurses, a psychologist and chaplains minister to families during these critical

periods: when a child has received a recent diagnosis of cancer, when a child is terminally ill, when a child has recently died.

Our chaplains lead worship services in Davis Chapel, which are relayed to all patient rooms by closed-circuit television. They also provide a pastoral ministry to patients, their families and to staff members; provide more than 15,000 hours of personal counselling annually; offer personal growth and enrichment events to hundreds of clergy and lay persons each year; and conduct the largest program of clinical pastoral education in the world. Ministries of the Pastoral Care department are made accessible to people across the state through satellites in Fayetteville, Raleigh, Morganton, and Charlotte.

The hospital looks forward to receiving its share of the N. C. Missions Offering, as gifts from the churches in the fiscal year ending June 30 were $196,516, as compared to $388,122 in the preceeding fiscal year.

Through June 1979, three churches of our Association had sent $62.37 through the Mother's Day Offering.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Berry

BROTHERHOOD

Mission efforts of the Brotherhood Commission were marked this year by success.

Responding to the Bold Mission Thrust concern of Southern Baptists, the Commission led in preparing 325 Brotherhood Training Specialists to help state and associational leaders start new Brotherhood units and orient church leaders in involving men and boys in missions.

During the next fiscal year, the Commission plans to train 850 specialists at 14 regional training institutes to interpret Brotherhood Program improvements. They are scheduled to reach Southern Baptist Churches in September 1979.

On the Associational level, improvements have been sought by the churches. R.A. units have expanded in many of the churches. A new Brotherhood and R.A. unit was started at Mull's Chapel. Zoar Baptist Church has started a Brotherhood Program.

Continuous and effective work in the churches depends upon trained leaders. Brotherhood Presidents and R.A. leaders, seek and pray for knowledge to lead your church to new mission goals in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Goforth, Director

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

The Building and Grounds Committee had its first meeting on July 15, 1979. We discussed and reviewed the needs of our Associational building. The immediate needs were storm windows and underpinning for the building; the storm windows have been installed and the building underpinned. The outside water pipes will also have to be insulated prior to winter and roof leaks repaired.

We have also asked churches and individuals to consider donating as gifts or memorials, some new office furniture for the Associational building. We are in need of desks, folding tables, and desk chairs.

Our committee looks forward to serving the South Mountain Association during the coming year. Please let us know about any building and grounds projects which need to be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,
Loyd Workman, Chairman

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

When North Carolina Baptists call the college/university roll, there are seven reasons to be grateful and proud: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest and Wingate. These are seven of 53 colleges and universities supported and nurtured by state conventions within the Southern Baptist Convention.

According to the latest figures printed by the Education Commission, SBC, of the 134,000 students attending the 53 Baptist colleges in the Convention, almost 20,000 are enrolled in our North Carolina schools. Thus, 15% of all Baptist College enrollments are located in this state.

The 1978-79 year witnessed change and progress. Enrollments were stable; budgets were balanced. Wingate College made history by graduating the first senior class; Campbell, once known as a senior college, announced a name change to Campbell University; the Campbell Lou School graduated its first class; and churches all across the state answered the Council's request for names and addresses of prospective college students. Over all, it was a very good year for Baptist colleges.

We thank you for supporting our colleges and carrying out a definite "BOLD MISSION THRUST" into the academic arena of our society.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell L. Huffman

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

In 2 Timothy 2:15, it speaks of studying to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed.

Our Church Training program went very well this year. We had a real good "M" Night with 48 in attendance. Seven churches were represented.

The Associational Church Training conference was lead by a group from the State Baptist Church Training Department.

We were able to start a new Church Training Program at Mull's Chapel this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Buff, Director

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT 1979/1980

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Respectfully submitted,
Doris Upton, Chairperson

COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION REPORT

On June 1, 1979, the Committee met at the Associational office and examined two men, Mr. Larry Burton and Mr. Gerald D. Ward, in preparation for their ordination into the ministry. Those present and who participated in the examination were:

Rev. Joe Forbes, Rev. Clyde Houston, Rev. David Wesson, Rev. J.E. Bishop, Rev. Joe Edwards and Rev. Ralph Gouge.

After much questioning of both men, separately, all of the committee was very much impressed with them and was satisfied that they were qualified for the ministry of pastoring in our churches. They were sound in their doctrinal beliefs as Missionary Baptists.

On June 17th, 1979, at four o'clock in the afternoon, we met at the Bible Gospel Baptist Church where an ordination service was held for Brother

Gerald D. Ward. Several of the pastors in our Association participated in the service. Brother Gerald is the pastor of that church.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph Gouge, Chairman

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT

I have certainly enjoyed serving as your Director of Missions for this past year. I appreciate the wonderful hospitality which you have shown toward my wife and me as we have visited your churches. I am also grateful for the opportunities which you have afforded me to preach and present mission programs in your churches. Your prayers, words of encouragement, faithfulness in attendance at various Associational functions, and financial support toward all mission endeavors have been most heartwarming.

I would also like to express my appreciation to the Executive Committee members, Associational Officers and Directors for your faithfulness, dedication, and loyalty toward Associational work. I certainly look forward with anticipation to working with all of you during the coming year.

As we approach another Associational year, I pray that we as an Association will dream big dreams together; we will set goals that are reachable and work harmoniously together toward reaching these goals.

In order that you may be better acquainted with some of the work which I have performed during the past year, meetings attended, etc., the following statistics are provided:

TIMES PREACHED(excluding revivals & supply work) 31
NUMBER OF CHURCHES VISITED 31
REVIVALS CONDUCTED(Berea & Laurel Haven) 2
SUPPLY PASTOR (MULLS CHAPEL& MT. ZION—4 weeks at each). 2
MET WITH PASTOR SELECTION COMMITTEES 7
DENOMINATIONAL CAUSES PRESENTED TO
PASTORS/CHURCHES 6
SEMINARY EXTENSION CLASSES TAUGHT
(Ten-Week Period) 1
FUNERALS CONDUCTED 5
SPECIAL MEETINGS IN ASSOC. IN WHICH I ASSISTED 9
SPECIAL MEETINGS ATTENDED/CONDUCTED
OUTSIDE OF ASSOC. 18

N.C Executive Comm. Meeting (Observed)
N.C. State Baptist Convention (3 days)
Preached Installation message for new officers,
Casar Methodist Church
Director of Missions Meeting , Boone (2 days)
Chaplain's Advisory Group, Cleveland Memorial Hospital, Shelby
Gardner-Webb College Ministers Conference
Spoke to Shelby Christian Athletes' Meeting
Gardner-Webb Ministerial Board of Associates
Sunday School Training Institute, Greensboro (2 days)
Gardner-Webb Ministerial Alliance Banquet
Update Seminar, Sunday School Board, Nashville (4 days)

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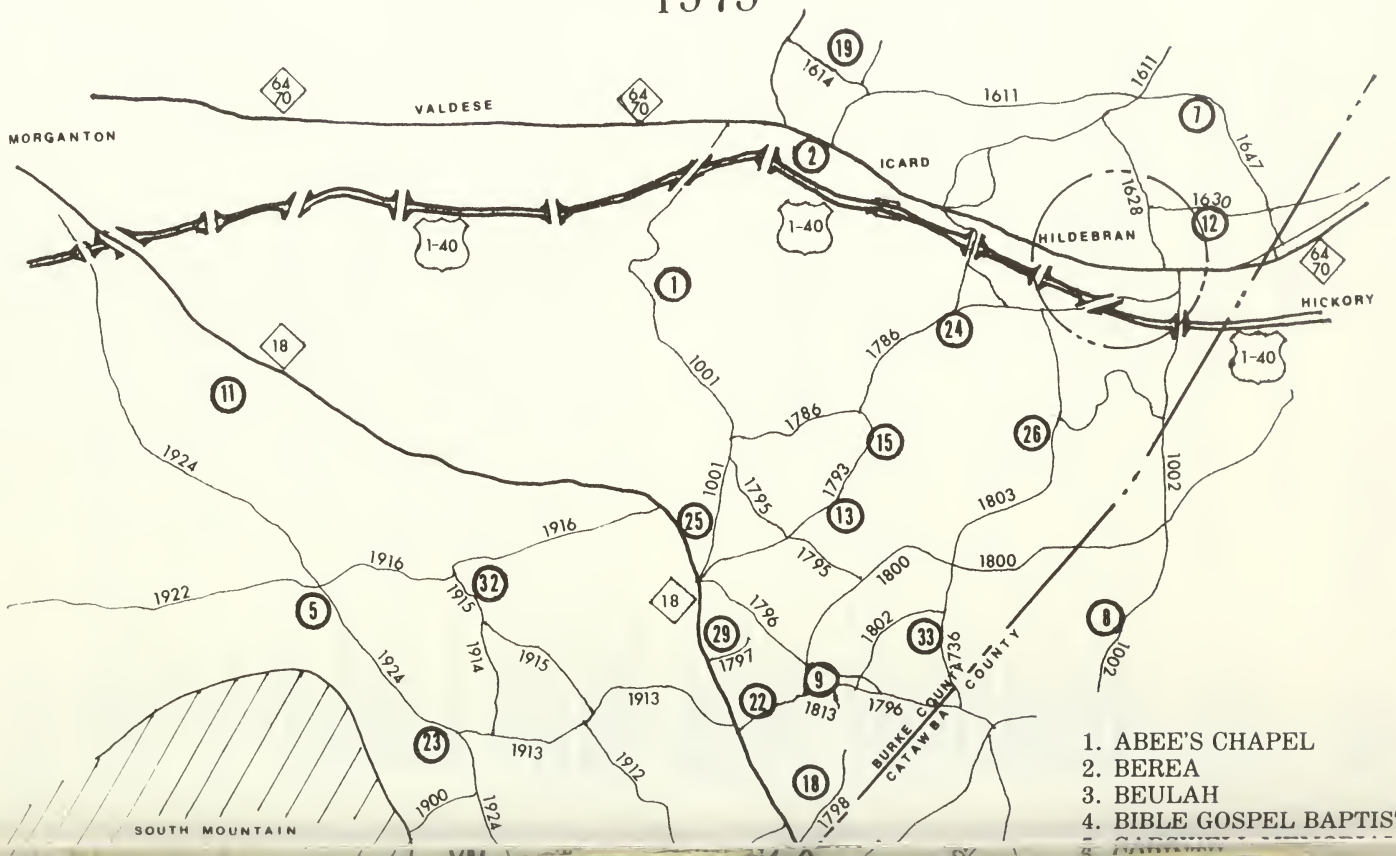

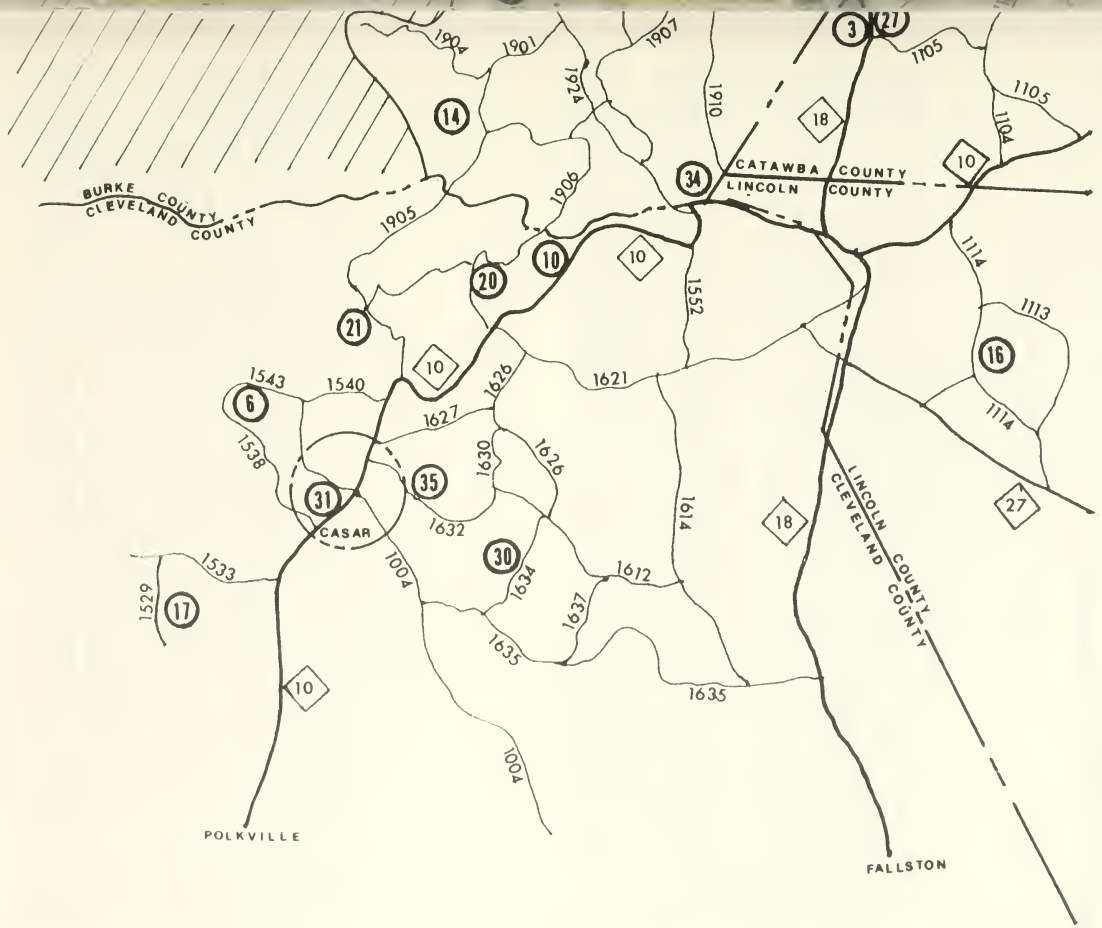

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9. HILDEBRAN VIEW
10. HOYLE MEMORIAL
11. LAUREL HAVEN
12. MIDWAY
13. MT. CALVARY
14. MT. GILEAD
15. MT. HEBRON
16. MT. VERNON
17. MT. ZION
18. MULL'S CHAPEL
19. OAKRIDGE
20. OLIVE GROVE
21. PISGAH
22. PHILADELPHIA
23. PLEASANT GROVE
24. SHOUP'S GROVE
25. SMART'S GROVE
26. SOUTHFORK
27. SOUTH MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE
28. SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CAMP
29. ST. JOHN
30. ST. PAUL'S
31. TABERNACLE
32. WALKER'S CHAPEL
33. WILKIE'S GROVE
34. ZION HILL
34. ZOAR

Taught two one-hour sessions on "Family Communication" for Gardner-Webb Youth Jubilee
Director of Missions Meeting, Houston
Southern Baptist Convention, Houston (5 days)
Director of Missions Meeting, Wingate College (5 days)
N.C. Missions Offering Meeting, 1st Baptist, Asheville
Basic Leadership Seminar, HMB, Atlanta (5 days)
World Missions Conference Workshop, Camp Caraway

COMMITTEE MEETINGS/CONFERENCE CONDUCTED OR ATTENDED WITHIN ASSOC. 66
PERSONAL VISITS WITH PASTORS 29
MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS PUBLISHED ..... 310 (approx. per month)
MILES TRAVELED, INCLUDING TO AND FROM WORK 24,000

Respectfully submitted,
Joe R. Edwards,
Director of Missions

EVANGELISM REPORT

The second Lay Evangelism School was held in the South Mountain Association in May and was led by Rev. Bill Lamb of the Baptist State Convention in Raleigh, N.C. It was a great success with sixty-three of our people participating, bringing the total to 159 who have taken training in personal soul winning in two years. No doubt, more people have been trained in soul winning in the past two years than ever in the history of our area.

We would like to thank the people of the Mt. Hebron Church for allowing us the use of their facilities for the school and for furnishing refreshments for us on May 24 after we went into the fields to win souls. We did have one profession of faith and many other well-planted seeds on that night.

We would like to ask our churches to consider sending their pastors to the 34th Statewide Evangelism Conference which will be held in Greensboro, N.C. on February 4-5, 1980.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Forbes, Director

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The beginning of another Associational year brought to the newly elected moderator and other officers a sense of urgency and responsibility that caused them to enter into their duties with dedication and commitment. The regularly scheduled meetings were held for the purpose of carrying on the business of the Association and we were grateful for the increased attendance and representation of churches. This increase was due to the additional representatives from the various churches, including some women. We appreciate the presence and interest of each one and the active support to the Associational Program.

The various leaders reported periodically on the guided activities they were sponsoring in connection with their work. Our Association was represented in many state and local institutes and work/study groups

aimed at improving Baptist work in North Carolina. Those attending these training sessions shared inspiration and information they had gained and led to a greater awareness and achievement in our Associational program of work. The need for greater cooperation and understanding led to the proposed organization of an Associational Council.

The Association, through the planning and organizational activities of Rev. Joe Forbes, was privileged to have a second Lay Evangelism School. These schools are valuable in training and inspiring local leaders to become involved in church visitation/witnessing thereby reaching more and more people.

We are pleased to report that Seminary Extension Classes are doing well. Rev. Charles McDowell kept us well informed concerning the courses, teachers and financial status of the project. The work includes basic courses as well as college level courses. We urge greater participation in this most worthwhile study/learning activity.

The Finance Committee challenged the churches to join in and support the Convention program of Bold Missions Thrust. As Chairman, Delbert Walker led us in our own Bold Mission activity by proposing that the churches attempt to raise sufficient funds to pay off the indebtedness on our Associational office and complete some much-needed projects around the office. This resulted in a successful fund raising campaign climaxed by a rally at South Mountain Baptist Camp on May 27. Refreshments were served to those coming from various churches bringing their individual donations and enjoying a program of music and dedication.

Rev. Edwards announced the organization of an Associational Council composed of the officers and chairman of the various departments. He sought approval for such a Council and recommended a constitutional change to authorize this Council. The Executive Committee recognized the newly constituted Youth Council and gave a vote of approval to this organization.

Due to the inability of some churches to host the Annual Meetings, Rev. Edwards proposed that a list of churches be made and a rotational system be set up. The responsibility for this project was delegated to the Missions Committee.

The Association again found it necessary to request funds from the Baptist State Convention to supplement Associational financial expenses. All churches were urged to increase their gifts and work toward financial independence. Provision was made in the new budget to allocate funds to cover expenses ($600.00) for the Director of Missions to attend the State and Southern Baptist Conventions and the Evangelism Conference.

By virtue of his resignation and accepting work elsewhere, Rev. Gwyn Sullivan was automatically dropped as our representative on the General Board of the N.C. Baptist State Convention. The Association submitted the name of Rev. Charlie McDowell and Rev. Ralph Gouge, one of whom will be chosen to fill the one and one-half year unexpired term and be eligible for re-election to a full four-year term. Rev. Thomas Berry was named to replace Rev. Sullivan as chairman of the Committee on Petitionary Letters. He then reported a request from Bible Gospel Baptist Church to come under the watchcare of the Association for one year.

During the year we have lost several pastors through resignation from Associational churches, but have welcomed several as regular and interim pastors.....Clyde Paige is serving Drowning Creek; Michael White, Carswell Memorial; Ned Perkins, Mulls Chapel; Dean Coffey, Pisgah; Carrol Craig, Beulah; J. Stuart Johnson, Berea. Interim pastors, who have

served or are presently serving include Oscar Long at Berea; J.E. Bishop, Mt. Vernon; Buddy Freeman, Pisgah; Ernest Smith, Carswell Memorial; and Harold Dellinger, Mt. Zion.

Richard Fraley has accepted the position of chairman of the Stewardship/Cooperative Program Committee. All churches are urged to support him in his new task and work along with him in improving our giving to local and state programs through the establishment of church budgets and emphasis on tithing.

Through negotiations with the membership of Beulah Baptist Church, the Association has been given a 20 year renewal lease for property on which the Associational office is located with an option for an additional 20 years. We sincerely appreciate this generous gesture on the part of the members and pledge to continue to use the space and facilities to serve God and minister to the needs of the churches in our South Mountain Association.

We are happy to report the success of the project to raise funds to pay off the debt on our office. This was accomplished by generous gifts from the churches and surplus money will be used toward underpinning and insulating the office and facilities.

Your Associational minutes will include, as a center spread, a map of the Association showing the location of the various churches. This should prove to be an informative and useful addition to the minutes.

Two young ministers - Gerald Ward and Larry Burton - were examined by the Committee on Ordination and recommended as candidates for ordination with services being held for each. They are now actively engaged in the ministry of preaching and serving God as they serve their respective congregations.

Several things have been completed during the current year, but as we look around, we are well aware of the fields which are white unto harvest and the scarcity of laborers. Will you join the willing workers and use your talent, time, and gifts to bring in a rich harvest of souls for God?

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille Upton, Clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT 9/1/78 - 8/31/79

Balance on Hand 9/31/78		$ 1,823.95
RECEIPTS:		
Miscellaneous	$ 9.13	
Baptist State Convention	3,600.00	
Abee's Chapel	175.00	
Berea	1,433.57	
Beulah	429.00	
Carswell Memorial	180.00	
Corinth	435.00	
Drowning Creek	52.50	
Grace & Truth	21.50	
Hildebran View	10.00	
Laurel Haven	110.00	
Midway	22.50	
Mt. Gilead	15.00	

Mt. Hebron	960.00
Mt. Vernon	1,942.59
Mt. Zion	50.00
Mull's Chapel	75.00
Oak Ridge	900.00
Olive Grove	68.75
Philadelphia	667.86
Pisgah	535.00
Pleasant Grove	35.00
St. John	100.00
St. Paul	100.00
Shoup's Grove	616.50
Smart's Grove	10.00
South Fork	1,051.86
Walker's Chapel	40.00
Wilkies Grove	2,582.39
Zion Hill	2,186.85
Zoar	65.00
TOTAL	$18,480.00

Special Offering to Retire Office Debt and Complete Improvements:

Abee's Chapel	100.00
Berea	100.00
Beulah	64.00
Bible Gospel	21.00
Carswell Memorial	45.70
Hoyle Memorial	25.00
Laurel Haven	100.00
Mt. Gilead	32.04
Mt. Hebron	160.00
Mt. Vernon	75.00
Mt. Zion	150.00
Mulls Chapel	210.50
Oak Ridge	75.00
Olive Grove	81.48
Philadelphia	97.20
Pisgah	71.34
St. Paul	300.00
Shoup's Grove	100.00
South Fork	75.00
Walker's Chapel	19.50
Wilkies Grove	14.00
Zion Hill	100.00
Zoar	110.00
Collection	45.00
TOTAL	$2,171.76

Balance on Hand Plus All Receipts $22,475.71

EXPENSES:

Missionary's Salary	7,577.27
Missionary's Travel	1,846.08
Missionary's Housing	1,107.84
Missionary's Utilities	985.92
Missionary's Retirement	862.51
Secretary's Salary	471.63
Office Payment	2,506.53
Office Improvements	564.70
Electricity	232.20
Telephone	538.65
Fuel	151.50
Lawn/Yard upkeep	85.00
Associational Speakers Fee	20.00
Convention Expense	485.55
Postage	253.65
Misc. Office Supplies	591.73
Minutes	763.00
WMU	208.00
VBS	77.79
Seminary Extension	300.00
Sunday School Program and Leadership Training	124.95
Church Training Program and Leadership Training	136.64
R.A.'s	50.17
Evangelism	1.50
Machine and Equipment Repair	95.69
Missionary's Christmas Gift	75.00
South Mountain Baptist Camp	50.00
Clerk's Compensation	275.00
Treasurer's Compensation	275.00
Miscellaneous	40.41
Water Bill	50.00
Mail Box	19.85
Edwards' Reception	12.60
Photos of Directors of Missions	49.73
Associational Emphasis Day	20.00
Safe Deposit Box Rental	5.25
Youth Program	26.67
TOTAL	$20,938.01
Balance on Hand 8/31/79	$ 1,537.70

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Upton, Treasurer

FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT

Southern Baptists are poised for the greatest missionary undertaking in all history. Who can measure what God may do IF WE faithfully follow Him in the tremendous challenge of Bold Mission Thrust?

The sending out and maintaining of missionaries throughout the world is primary in Southern Baptist life. Total Foreign Mission Board appointments reached a new high in 1978 for the 3rd straight year. Appointments in all categories totaled 350, an increase of 25% over 1977. The net missionary personnel gain was the largest since 1966. Also, the number of career missionary resignations were the lowest since 1966.

At the end of 1978, Southern Baptist Foreign Missionaries were assigned to 94 countries and territories, an increase of 4 during the year. These are: Bolivia, Haiti, Maurituis in the Indian Ocean, and St. Martin in the Caribbean.

Praise God for what He is doing. Southern Baptists are poised for even greater things IF WE.....

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ailene Berry

HOME MISSIONS REPORT

TO GOD BE THE GLORY! As we look at the 1978 year for Home Missions, we see the Bold Mission Thrust beginning to accomplish much. Key city relationships have been established with 21 major metropolitan areas in the United States. Consultants report success in helping associational and state leaders develop plans to reach the cities' populations.

Work has begun in 156 counties without a Southern Baptist witness, and the 34th state Baptist Convention was formed in October with 75 congregations and 14,000 members.

In 1978, more than 21,000 volunteers participated in Home Missions Special Mission Ministries work. Many were young people who spent their holidays and vacations serving in addition to the adult volunteers. Special mission ministries oversees 15 Missionaries and 22 Us-2ers.

One thing that stands out in our mind is that in 1978, a visit was made to Cuba, reestablishing contact with the missions personel once connected to the HMB. This was the first direct contact HMB leaders have had with Cuba in 17 years.

With the enormous demand for information about religious sects, 440,000 pieces of printed materials on all faith groups were distributed. This was an increase of 94 percent.

There was a marked increase in operating funds in 1978. Although the $13 million Annie Armstrong Easter Offering goal was not reached, the total gifts were 17½% above the 1977 figure. Total gifts were $25,279,809 with $11,489,194 from the Cooperative Program and $12,282,227 from the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Let us strive in 1979 to exceed these gifts.

In Acts 1:8 it says, "..ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, in Judea and in Samaria, and to the uttermost part of the earth." The Home Mission field is our Jerusalem. Let us not fail to witness at home.

I challenge each church here to set large goals and to strive to meet and exceed these goals.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Mavin Carswell

IN MEMORIAM

As we come to these moments of remembrance, I am sure that you and your churches are aware of the going-home of many of God's children and our co-laborers. That there are missing faces in our homes, churches and communities is a reminder that God still loves and desires even closer fellowship with His followers. God's calling of them is not to cause us sorrow and heartbreak, but to reward them for their dedication and labors of love. May our hearts be so stayed upon God's faithfulness, His constancy and love, that whatever betides us, we can, with quiet faith and trust, continue walking toward Him, seeking only those things which would turn our souls to the true goodness of God. By their example, we should be so inspired that someday, we, too, maybe share the perfect peace which, we trust, is theirs today.

They never quite leave us, our friends who have passed
Through the shadows of death to the sunlight above,
A thousand sweet memories are holding them fast;
To the places they blessed with their presence and love
The work which they left and the books which they read
Speak mutely – though still with an eloquence rare
And the songs that they sang -- the words that they said
Yet linger and sigh on the desolate air
And oft when alone, and oft in the throng
Or when evil allures us, or sin draweth nigh,
A whisper comes gently, "Nay, do not the wrong."
And we feel that our weakness is pitied on high.

(Margaret E. Sangster)

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille Upton

Our Beloved Dead

Abee's Chapel
Rev. Mack Hodge,
Ordained Minister
Mr. Edward Lowman

Berea
Mrs. Ruby Thorne Anderson
Mr. Paul Franklin
Mrs. Nellie Ingle
Mrs. Connie Robinson
Mr. J. C. Cannon

Beulah
Mr. Blaine Godfrey, Sr.

Carswell Memorial
Mrs. Florence Carswell

Corinth
Rev. D.E. Newton,
Ordained Minister
Mrs. Lillie Wortman
Mrs. Mary White

Hildebran View
Mr. Haywood Hoyle, Deacon
Mr. Tildon Cook

Midway
Mrs. Mary Hull
Mrs. Thelma Wally
Mr. John Porter

Mt. Hebron
Mr. Vernon Hildebran
Mrs. Sandra Blankenship

Mt. Vernon
Mrs. Texie Davis
Rev. Ford Houser,
Ordained Minister
Mr. S. C. Wesson
Mr. Kelly Tallent
Mr. Howard Moody

Mt. Zion
Mrs. Ida Smith

Oak Ridge
Mr. W. W. Dyson
Mrs. Barbara Lowman

Olive Grove
Mrs. Myrtle Tallent

Philadelphia
Mrs. Delia Fredell

Pisgah
Mrs. Mary Parker
Mr. Moody Hoyle
Mr. Lester Canipe

Pleasant Grove
Mr. Joe Walker, Oldest Member
Honrary Chm. of Deacons
Mrs. Sarah Pruett

St. John
Mrs. Rosalina Reynolds

St. Paul
Mr. Franklin Earl
Mr. Howard Cook
Mrs. Mattie Cook
Mrs. Wilma Childers
Mrs. Ethel Crotts
Mrs. Ethel King
Mrs. Mamie McNeely

Shoup's Grove
Miss Junie Thorne
Mrs. Belle Rogers

Smart's Grove
Mrs. Belle Lail
Mr. Will Fredell

South Fork
Mrs. Eva P. Young
Mrs. John Young
Mrs. Milan Propst

Walker's Chapel
Mr. Filo Huffman, Deacon

Wilkie's Grove
Mrs. Lexie Cannon
Mrs. Muriel Beavers
Mrs. Murtice Young
Mr. Arcie Bradshaw, Deacon

Zion Hill
Mr. Patton Bradshaw
Mr. Willie Lee Carter

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

This has truly been a good year in the life of our Association. The churches have increased in their membership, and in their efforts to make South Mountain stronger. As we have labored together, we have increased our financial assistance toward the forward movement of the Association. We truly thank you for your support.

This committee would like to thank those churches who took part in the special emphasis to deplete the debt on our Associational office.

Now as we look back at what has been done through the combined effort of the churches, and look forward to the task that is ahead of us in our missionary efforts, we cannot help but realize the importance of what the Apostle Paul said to the church at Corinth. "For we are laborers together with God; ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building." (1 Cor. 3:9)

The Missions Committee expresses its thanks and appreciation to our Missions Director, Brother Joe Edwards for his strong leadership and his devout love for our churches. Let us continue to pray for him as he continues in his leadership with our churches.

The Missions Committee also joins the Association as we welcome our sister church "Bible Gospel Baptist Church" under the watchcare of our Association.

We look forward now to the coming year with great anticipation, with the realization that we truly are "Laborers together with God".

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Ned Perkins, Chairman
Mrs. Verona McNeilly
Mrs. Frances Melton
Rev. Dean Coffey
Rev. Cecil Buff

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT 1979-1980

OFFICERS

Moderator	Rev. Thomas Berry	(538-8551)
Vice Moderator	Rev. Dean Coffey	(538-9638)
Clerk	Miss Lucille Upton	(276-2114)
Treasurer	Miss Doris Upton	(276-2114)
Sunday School Director	Mrs. Louise Edwards	(482-6568)
Church Training Director	Mr. Jerry Buff	(538-9596)
Woman's Missionary Director	Mrs. Frances Melton	(397-6245)
Brotherhood Director	Mr. Joe Goforth	(538-9556)
Vacation Bible School Director	Mrs. Gail Ford	(434-6178)
R.A. Director	Mr. Edward McCurry	(No Phone)
Music Director	Mr. Virgil Buff	(397-3185)
Pianist	Mrs. Flo Buff	(397-3185)
Historian	Miss Lucille Upton	(276-2114)
Evangelism Director	Rev. Joe Forbes	(538-9786)
Deacon Director	Mr. Terry Childers	(879-8166)

ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Stewardship/Cooperative Program	Mr. Dick Fraley	(397-3536)
Baptist Children's Homes	Mrs. Annie Sain	(397-5784)
Baptist Hospital	Rev. Clyde Paige	(397-3684)
Biblical Recorder	Rev. Ralph Gouge	(397-3748)
Homes for the Aging	Mr. Virgil Buff	(397-3185)
Annuity Representative	Rev. Thomas Berry	(538-8551)
Christian Life Council	Rev. Cecil Buff	(538-8652)

REPORTS FOR 1980

Public Morals & Temperance	Rev. Buren Hastings	(879-8464)
Christian Education	Rev. Robert Ford	(434-6178)
Foreign Missions	Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry	(397-3878)
Home Missions	Rev. Michael White	(433-6855)
State Missions	Mr. Robert Berry	(397-3644)
Stewardship/Cooperative Program	Mr. Dick Fraley	(397-3536)
Baptist Hospital	Rev. Clyde Paige	(397-3684)
Annuity	Rev. Thomas Berry	(538-8551)
Religious Literature	Rev. Ralph Gouge	(397-3748)
Obituaries	Miss Lucille Upton	(276-2114)
Baptist Children's Homes	Mrs. Annie Sain	(397-5784)
Homes for the Aging	Mr. Virgil Buff	(397-3185)
American Bible Society	Mr. Dennis Wright	(397-7296)
Christian Life Council	Rev. Cecil Buff	(538-8652)

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Miss Doris Upton, Chairperson	(276-2114)
Mr. Eugene McNeilly	(397-3739)
Mr. Horace Sain	(462-2165)
Mr. J.C. Buff	(538-9731)

The Nominating Committee recommends the dedication of minutes for 1979/80 be made to MISS FLORENCE HOYLE, Zion Hill Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie Townsend

PETITIONARY LETTERS AND CONSTITUTION OF CHURCHES COMMITTEE REPORT

Early in 1979, our Director of Missions received a letter from Bible Gospel Baptist Church requesting to come under the watchcare of the South Mountain Baptist Association.

The Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches Committee met with this church, along with the Director of Missions and Moderator. After this meeting, the committee agreed to recommend that this church come under the watchcare of the Association. At the April meeting, the Executive Committee unamiously voted to receive them.

Bible Gospel Church was organized on Oct. 6, 1974 with 17 members. On Nov. 3 of the same year a business meeting was called to discuss plans to build a church building. The church was completed in Nov. 1975. The structure is 40x90 feet with a seating capacity of 360. There are 5 class rooms and 2 rest rooms.

The present church membership is 87 resident members and 24 non-resident members. Sunday School enrollment is 63, and average attendance is 64. They presently have Sunday morning and Sunday evening worship services with an average attendance of 45. Average weekly offerings are $250.00.

Your committee will continue, along with the Director of Missions, to work with and assist this church as they join hands with the other churches of this Association to promote Christ's Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Berry, Chairman

PROPOSED BUDGET
SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
1979 - 1980

EXPENSE:	1980
Missionary's Salary	$ 8,209.00
Missionary's Travel	2,500.00
Missionary's Housing	2,300.00
Missionary's Utilities	1,068.00
Missionary's Retirement	941.00
Secretary's Salary	900.00
Office Payment	None
Electricity	300.00
Telephone	700.00
Fuel	250.00
Lawn/Yard Upkeep	125.00
Associational Speakers' Fee	100.00
Convention/Conference Expense	800.00
Postage	350.00
Miscellaneous Office Supplies	500.00
Insurance	None
Minutes	900.00
W.M.U.	300.00
V.B.S.	200.00
Seminary Extension	300.00
Sunday School Program and Leadership Training	300.00
Church Training Program and Leadership Training	200.00
Brotherhood	75.00
R.A.'s	100.00
Evangelism	50.00
Church Music	50.00

Pastor's Conference Speakers	75.00
Machine and Equipment Repair	100.00
Missionary's Christmas Gift	100.00
South Mountain Baptist Camp	50.00
Clerk's Compensation	300.00
Treasurer's Compensation	300.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
Water Bill	25.00
Safety Box Rental	10.00
Youth Program	100.00
TOTAL	$22,828.00

PUBLIC MORALS AND TEMPERANCE REPORT

The past twelve months have brought little relief from the endless assault of immorality on our society. Ten million people have died of hunger in spite of important new anti-hunger initiatives. Alcoholism has repeated its annual destruction of countless lives. The senseless arms race has continued to escalate as nations have embraced even more heinous ways of annihilating one another. Insatiable human greed has produced another round of skyrocketing inflation and another chapter in energy crunch. T.V. has continued to beam its often dehumanizing and trivial view of life right into our homes. In recognition of the clear teaching of the Bible that Christians are to be on guard against the forces of evil, Southern Baptists have assigned the Christian Life Commission the vitally important task of helping the churches to resist this assault.

A piece entitled "A Dozen Actions You Can Take to Help Improve the Moral Quality of T.V." was mailed to all Southern Baptist Pastors to help them deal with the problem of T.V. morality. Twice during the year the Commissions presented testimony to congressional committees dealing with the rewriting of the Federal Communications Act.

In cooperation with other Southern Baptist Convention agencies, the Christian Life Commission again this year gave leadership to the planning and promotion of World Hunger.

The Supreme Court of the state of N.C. has ruled the anti-pornography bill constitutional. Better known as the Lake Bill, it is ready to be enforced by sheriffs, police chiefs, and district attorneys.

The Court of Appeals of the state of N.C. will hand down a ruling soon on the challenge to the liquor-by-the-drink legislation passed by the 1978 session of the Assembly. The League has discovered that law suits are time-consuming and expensive. We need your prayers and your financial support in this matter.

The N.C. Senate passed a bill which, under certain conditions, will give cities and towns a chance to vote after the county has voted to turn douwn liquor-by-the-drink. This will be considered by the House probably in June 1980. We need to secure commitments from our Representatives that they will oppose the bill, which is Senate Bill No. 943.

The Senate killed a bill which would have relaxed the penalties for the possession of up to four ounces of marijuana.

On May 1, Rev. Coy Privette became the full-time Associate Executive Director of the Christian Action League.

Respectfully submitted,
Keith Starnes

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE
REPORT OF THE BIBLICAL RECORDER TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

In its 146th year of serving North Carolina Baptists, the Recorder, like Old Man River, keeps rolling along. The Recorder faced the same problems as everyone did in the past year...price increases in every phase of its operations. The cost of postage continues to go up at a rate of more than 30% a year. This means the Recorder is costing four times as much to mail as it did five years ago.

Despite these increases, the Recorder still is about the most reasonable publication available. By keeping the staff small and cutting corners wherever possible, the Recorder can still go into every home in a church for only 7½ cents a week. In today's inflationary world, where else can a person receive so much for so little money?

This has been a newsworthy year and the Recorder has tried to keep you informed. Wake Forest University and its relationship to the Baptist State Convention continues to be in the news and you can depend on the Recorder to strive for fairness and responsible coverage.

The Southern Baptist Convention in Houston was another important story this year and, as always, the Recorder was there.

Even though the Recorder takes pride in its coverage of denominational news and events, it devotes more space to the local church than any other state paper in the Southern Baptist Convention. The Recorder believes in the local church as the foundation stone of what we are trying to do together as Southern Baptists. Strong churches result in a strong denomination.

The editor is completing 20 years and is still striving to make the Recorder better each week. Your support of the Recorder will not only mean much to it but will make you a stronger and better informed Christian. If you and your church do not receive the Recorder, please take steps immediately to see that this is done.

Respectfully submitted,
Cecil Cook

* Information supplied by the Biblical Recorder.

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that as Messengers meeting in the 69th Annual Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association:

1. We express our gratitude to Almighty God for His watchcare, guidance, and grace that has been bestowed upon us during this past year.

2. We express our gratitude to St. Paul and Carswell Memorial Churches for the use of their facilities and for the bountiful meals prepared and served by St. Paul, Tabernacle, and Carswell Memorial.

3. We express our gratitude to our Moderator, Rev. Ned Perkins, for this past year of faithful service, and to his co-workers for a job well done.

4. We express our gratitude to our Director of Missions, Rev. Joe Edwards, for the job he has done in the past year and pledge our support, cooperation, prayers, and commitment to work with him toward building a stronger Association in the year ahead.

5. We affirm our support of the Bold Mission Thrust through all the churches in our Association by:

a. Promoting the growth and unity of the churches in our Association.
b. Being personally involved in the ministry of our Lord.
c. Giving of ourselves and our means.
d. Loving the souls of mankind.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Harold Ashe, Chairman
Rev. Clyde Houston
Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry
Mrs. Bernice Gouge

SEMINARY EXTENSION REPORT

During the period of this report we had the following courses:

Basis BS 3 "Great Men of the Bible" ..... 6 enrolled
College Nt 242, "Mark" ..... 9 enrolled
College BB 100, "How to Understand the Bible" ..... 10 enrolled
Basic BS 5, "Great Passages of the Bible" ..... 10 enrolled
College ST 136, "Systematic Theology" ..... 6 enrolled

Rev. Robert Rownd, who has been our College-Level Teacher since the beginning of Seminary Extension in our Association, resigned in June. Robert is Director of Seminary Extension in his own Association and plans to teach in that center. We appreciate the work that he has done for our Seminary Extension and a Certificate of Appreciation has been sent to him signed by your Director of Seminary Extension and Director of Missions.

All classes are now meeting in the Educational Building of Wilkie's Grove Baptist Church. We appreciate this church allowing us to use their facilities.

If any pastor or lay person in our Association desires to teach one of our courses, please contact the Director of Seminary Extension. We are trying to increase our list of certified teachers.

I would encourage everyone to take advantage of these courses offered in your center. Education pays.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles L. McDowell, Director

SEMINARY EXTENSION CENTER FINANCIAL REPORT

Oct. 1, 1978 to Aug. 31, 1979

BALANCE (Oct. 1, 1978)	$ 196.97
RECEIPTS	
4th Quarter 1978 Tuition	130.75
1979-79 Association Grant	300.00
1st Quarter 1979 Tuition	198.50
State Baptist Conv. - Scholarships	112.50
State Baptist Conv. - Teacher Remuneration	310.20
2nd Quarter 1979 Tuition	139.30
State Baptist Conv. - Scholarship & Remuneration	218.00
TOTAL	$1409.25
EXPENDITURES	
4th Quarter Literature	238.00
Postage	15.00
Office Supplies	7.85
Service charges - Checking	3.00
1st Quarter 1979 Literature	261.95
1st Quarter 1979 Teacher Remuneration	
(Robert Rownd)	180.00
(Joe Edwards)	190.00
2nd Quarter Literature 1979	164.45
2nd Quarter 1979 - Teacher Remuneration	
(Robert Rownd)	180.00
Postage	15.00
TOTAL	$1255.25
CHECKING BALANCE (Aug. 31, 1979)	$350.97

Respectfully submitted,
Don Brittain, Treas.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CAMP REPORT

It was thrilling to observe the Lord Jesus changing the lives of campers this year at your camp. The lives of many who visited our services were also changed.

To God be the glory, and thanks to members of our staff who were used of God to aid 959 who made decisions for Christ. This included 349 saved, 571 rededications, and 39 for special service. There were 1300 who promised to pray 15 minutes daily for World Missions.

In classes, conducted each day, prayer, christian growth, and World Missions involvement were emphasized.

Many thanks to churches and individuals who continually aid us financially. This is an investment that will pay great dividends until Jesus comes.

The Executive Committee of the camp employed Tom Lineberger on a full time basis January 1, 1979. We will need financial support from more of our churches to help with this addition to the staff.

Repair work was done on our road this year. The Chapel and other buildings were painted. Additional painting and improvements need to be done soon.

Thanks, again, for your continued prayers and financial help.

Respectfully submitted,
T.A. Lineberger, Director

STEWARDSHIP & COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

I. COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

In 1976/77 Bold Mission Thrust began as a dream of the Southern Baptist Convention...A Bold dream that many people are committed to making a reality. It can and will become a reality as we all work and commit ourselves to church growth and missions support.

As we make this dream a reality we will need to be faithful in our giving, zealous in our endeavors, and cooperative in our attitude.

During the year South Mountain Churches gave $ 47.857 through the Cooperative Program. Our goal was $ (None set). Last year our churches gave $17,086.16 to Associational Missions. Our goal was 3% to 5% of each Church Budget dollar.

Commitment to Bold Mission Thrust calls for specific action on our part as individuals and churches. Every church is challenged to:

1. Give something through the Cooperative Program for Bold Missions support.
2. Increase the percentage to its total budget income given through the Cooperative Program.
3. Increase the percentage of total budget income for the support of Associational Missions.

II. STEWARDSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The Stewardship Commission of the SBC provides leadership and materials for the development of individual Christian stewards. The current stewardship theme is "Witness to the World Through Christian Stewardship."

Bold Mission Thrust objective is to give every person in the world an opportunity to hear and respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ by the year 2000. This calls for faithful stewardship and growth in Christian giving. Every church needs to:

1. Provide stewardship development (Tract, activity guides, study courses, visual aids, etc.) to promote proper handling of God's money.
2. Be encouraged to give a greater percentage of their income in the light of Bold Mission Thrust goals.
3. Elect and train a stewardship committee to assist the church in developing Christian stewards.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Ashe

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

I am encouraged by what has developed this year in our Sunday School work. Several things have been done which have been beneficial to those churches participating.

In January we had an Associational wide meeting for pastors, Sunday School Directors, and workers. A very challenging talk was made by Mr. Alfred Lowman concerning organization and planning for Sunday School work. Our Sunday School Directors and pastors were urged to participate in the Lay Evangelism School which was held at Mt. Hebron Church May 21 through 24. The school was well attended by our churches.

We had a Sunday School leadership conference which was held in Greensboro on April 16 and 17. The leaders for all departments attended.

On September 11th, our pastor's conference had a Sunday School task force meeting sponsored by the Baptist State Convention. Those who conducted the meeting spoke on ways and means of increasing our Sunday Schools and reaching people to get them under the teaching of the Word. Our Pastors showed their concern for our churches by their attendance and participation in the meeting.

Our last meeting for this church year was scheduled for September 13th at Mt. Hebron so that we might include all new Sunday School workers who have been elected to serve this coming year.

I believe that our Sunday Schools are the main factors in reaching people for Christ. We need to have concern and to let the Holy Spirit lead us in our methods of teaching and training. Let us realize that this is our day of opportunity. We have all the necessary tools to help. I urge each pastor, Sunday School Director, and Teacher to take advantage of their opportunities and make this new year a BOLD YEAR IN REACHING OUT FOR CHRIST.

Yours in Christ,
Ralph P. Gouge, Director

TIME - PLACE - PREACHER COMMITTEE REPORT

The following churches have consented to host or co-host the Annual Associational Meetings for the next five year:

YEAR	FIRST DAY	SECOND DAY
1980	*Mt. Hebron Laurel Haven	*Abee's Chapel
1981	*Wilkie's Grove Philadelphia Hildebran View	*Pleasant Grove St. John
1982	*South Fork Midway	*Beulah Hoyle Memorial

1983	*Oak Ridge	*Corinth
	Drowning Creek	Mt. Zion
1984	*Olive Grove	*Shoup's Grove
	Mt. Gilead	Faith Olive

We are grateful to these churches for their cooperation and willingness to serve their Association in this manner.

Preacher for 1980 Annual Message: Rev. Ralph Gouge, pastor of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church. Alternate: Rev. Keith Starnes, pastor of Oak Ridge Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Cantrell, Chairman

* Location of meeting place.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Two identical Associational VBS Clinics were held this year for teacher/directors, one at Mt. Hebron and the other at Pisgah.

Out of 33 churches in the association, 29 reported having a VBS. According to these reports, 2093 were enrolled. There were 54 professions of faith. Wilkie's Grove reported a Special Education class with 6 enrolled.

Our 1979 VBS reports present a tremendous challenge to our churches with 262 youth/children prospects and 255 adult prospects not enrolled in any Sunday School. A TOTAL OF 517 PEOPLE NOT ENROLLED IN ANY SUNDAY SCHOOL. What a job ahead of us!

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Edwards, Director

WMU ANNUAL REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATION

The WMU Spring Meeting was held at Wilkie's Grove Church on May 8th, 1979. We enjoyed inspirational emphases on Associational Missions by Rev. Joe Edwards and on Home Missions by Mr. Knowlan Benefield, Jr., formerly with the Home Mission Board. One feature of this meeting was the installation of officers for 1979-80. They are as follows:

WMU Director	Mrs. Frances Melton
Assistant WMU Director	Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry
Mission Action Director	Mrs. Louise Edwards
Baptist Women Director	Mrs. Verona McNeilly
Baptist Young Women Director	Mrs. Dianne Starnes
Acteens	Mrs. Joann Edwards
Girls in Action	Mrs. Shirley Taylor
Mission Friends	Mrs. Mary Ann Forbes
Secretary/Treasurer	Mrs. Ailene Berry

These new officers, who make up the Associational WMU Council, attended a workshop at Ridgecrest in August. This was in preparation for the Leadership Training Conference which was conducted, for all WMU age-level leaders and directors in the individual churches, at Mull's Chapel on September 18, 1979.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the South Mountain Association has begun work in one new church this year. We are ready and most anxious to visit with other churches and their mission-minded women in the hope of spreading WMU to the other churches in our Association. We wish to have a very real part in the Southern Baptist efforts to share the message and love of Christ with the world.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances S. Melton

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT

A Youth Council Committee for the South Mountain Baptist Association was organized in February, 1979.

Since the forming of the committee, an Associational-wide youth rally was held at Zion Hill Baptist Church. The attendance and response was very encouraging. The committee also met with Davis Bowen, director of Youth Ministries for the State Baptist Convention.

A youth sponsored hot dog supper was held in Smith Hall at Oak Ridge Baptist Church.

Committee members presently presiding are: Becky Smith (chairperson), Steven Sain, Sue Wilson, Brenda Hamby, and Bobby Wycoff.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Smith

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Abee's Chapel	Rev. Ralph Abee, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	874-0141
	Rev. Wayne Floyd, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	397-6808
Berea	Rev. Paul Robinson, Box 275, Conn. Spr. 28612	879-8189
Laurel Haven	Rev. Donald Warren, Rt. 4, Box 669, Morganton 28655	433-4713
Mt. Gilead	Rev. Kenneth Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	
Mt. Vernon	Rev. Harold Dellinger, Rt. 1, Shelby 28150	435-5630
	Rev. D.C. Wesson, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	276-2464
Philadelphia	Rev. Hansel Bryant, Rt. 1, Conn. Spr. 28612	874-0930
Pleasant Grove	Rev. Willie Freedle, Rt. 1, Box 166, Conn. Spr. 28612	437-3197
St. John	Rev. Jim Brittain, Rt. 1, Conn. Spr. 28612	
St. Paul	Rev. Edsel Mull, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	
Tabernacle	Rev. A.W. Martin, Rt. 2, Box 325, Vale 28168	276-2067
Zion Hill	Rev. T.A. Lineberger, Rt. 1, Conn. Spr. 28612	437-8308

LICENSED MINISTERS

Hildebran View ..... Rev. R.B. Hudson, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612
Hoyle Memorial ..... Rev. Robert Price, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090
Rev. Robert Hoyle, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090
Olive Grove ..... Rev. Donald E. Morrison, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090
Philadelphia .....Rev. Johnny Chambers, Rt. 7, Box 295, Hickory 28601
Pisgah ..... Rev. Ernest Oliver, Rt. 1, Casar 28020
St. John ..... Rev. Eldon Hinegardner, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601
St. Paul ..... Rev. Roy Hasting, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090
South Fork ..... Rev. Mickey Propst, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601
Zion Hill ..... Rev. Steve Propst, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090

HISTORICAL NOTES

1. In the area directly behind the pulpit, Mr. Kenny Beaver, a member of Midway Church, painted a scene of the Jordan River.

2. On Sept. 9, 1979 the note was burned indicating that all indebtedness had been paid and the new Educational Building at Mt. Gilead was dedicated.

3. Preparation has been made for paving the parking area at Mt. Hebron.

4. Rev. Larry Burton graduated from Southeastern Seminary, was ordained at Mt. Vernon and has accepted a pastorate in Honaker, Virginia.

5. Mull's Chapel has renovated the old sanctuary and has created a pastor's Study and a new choir room.

6. Pleasant Grove celebrated its 102nd Anniversary on Nov. 10, 1978. A new furnace and air conditioning system has been installed.

7. Zion Hill church has constructed a ramp to aid the handicapped. The cost of this project was $2,850.00.

HISTORIAL TABLE OF THE ASSOCIATION

1950---S.M. Stroupe, Moderator; J.E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J.D. Goodwin, Clerk; A.V. Ledford, N.S. Hardin, Preacher; Oak Ridge, Corinth, Places.

1951---S.M. Stroupe, Moderator; J.E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J.D. Goodwin, Clerk; Grady Welch, L.A. Miller, Preachers; Icard, Zion Hill, Places.

1952---S.M. Stroupe, Moderator; J.E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Claude Icard, Clerk; Lamont Mayes, W.H. Flowers, Preachers; Henry River, St. Paul, Places.

1953---S.M. Stroupe, Moderator; B.R. Holbrook, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. B.R. Holbrook, Clerk; R.W. Hord, Fred Hicks, Preachers; Bethany, Mt. Vernon, Places.

1954---J.E. Hoffman, Moderator; A.V. Ledford, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. B.R. Holbrook, Clerk; Forrest Davis, B.R. Holbrook, Preachers; Shoup's Grove, Walker's Chapel, Places.

1955---J.E. Hoffman, Moderator; Ralph Berry, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. B.R. Holbrook, Clerk; Buren Hastings, J.E. Hoffman, Preachers; Connelly Springs, Pisgah, Places.

1956---Paul Crotts, Moderator; W.N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Frank Hicks, Clerk; Julius Hildebran, Ralph Berry, Preachers; St. Paul, Mull's Chapel, Places.

1957---Paul Crotts, Moderator; W.N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Joe Richards, B.H. Cline, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Carswell Memorial, Places.

1958---Paul Crotts, Moderator; W.N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; J.E. Hoffman, Paul Crotts, Preachers; St. John's, Oak Ridge Places.

1959---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Grady McCurry, Preachers; Berea, Beulah, Places.

1960---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Harold Whitener, Earsel Robinson, Preachers; Midway, Zion Hill, Places.

1961---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; P.G. Sullivan, Harold Whitener, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Shoup's Grove, Places.

1962---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Harold Whitener, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; S.M. Stroupe, J.I. Willis, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, Corinth, Places.

1963---Harold Whitener, Moderator Paul Crotts, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Garland Early, Harvey Harris, Preachers; St. Paul, Pleasant Grove, Places.

1964---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; B.R. Whisnant, Thomas Taylor, Preachers; Mt. Gildea, Olive Grove, Places.

1965---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Floyd Benfield, Jack Johnson, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Pisgah, Places.

1966---Thomas D. Taylor, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J.M. Powell, Jack E. Guffey, Preachers; Drowning Creek, Mull's Chapel, Mt. Calvary, Places.

1967---Paul Crotts, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J.T. Cline, William Shytle, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Wilkie's Grove, Smart's Grove, Places.

1968---William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Andy Mead, G.C. Wray, Preachers; Bera, Beulah, St. Paul, Places.

1969---William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; R.L. Ball, Harold Ashe, Preachers, Oak Ridge, Carswell Memorial, Faith Olive, Places.
1970---J.T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Richard Adams, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Mull's Chapel Places.
1971---J.T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Ronald Martin, Cecil Buff, Preachers; Zion Hill, Corinth, Places.
1972---Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk, Dennis Whitley, Carrell Pruette, Preachers; Zoar, Abee's Chapel, Places.
1973---Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Raymond Crott, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, St. John's, Places.
1974---Raymond Crook, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Kenneth Simpson, Preachers; St. Paul, Shoup's Grove, Places.
1975---Harold Dellinger, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Buren Hastings, Gwyn Sullivan, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Olive Grove, Places.
1976---Harold Ashe, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Cecil Buff, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Berea, Places.
1977---Gwyn Sullivan, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Jerry Bryant, Gary Huntsinger, Preachers; Pisgah, Walker's Chapel, Places.
1978---Gwyn Sullivan, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Joe Forbes, Ned Perkins, Preachers; Zion Hill, Mull's Chapel, Places.
1979---Rev. Ned Perkins, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Rev. Charles McDowell, Preacher; St. Paul, Carswell Memorial, Churches.

LIST OF ORGANISTS
(Or Pianist If No Organist)

Abee's Chapel ..... Gail Duckworth. Box 27, Valdese 28690
Berea ..... Mary Lou Wells, Box 311, Icard 28666
Beulah ..... Anna Martha Young, Route 3, Vale 28168
Carswell Memorial ... Debbie Serra, Rt. 11, Box 477B, Morganton 28655
Corinth ..... Bobbie Botts, Route 1, Casar 28020
Drowning Creek ..... Bobbie Barker, Box 324, Hildebran 28637
Faith Olive ..... Aleta Parker, Route 8, Box 430, Hickroy 28601
Hildebran View .... Mrs. H.D. Lowman, Gen. Delivery, Hildebran 28637
Laurel Haven ..... Myra Bradshaw, Route 4, Box 636, Morganton 28655
Midway ..... Debbie Beaver, Route 7, Box 5, Hickory 28601
Mt. Gilead ..... Nancy Buff, Route 1, Connelly Springs 28612
Mt. Hebron . Mavin Carswell, Route 3, Box 784, Connelly Springs 28612
Mt. Vernon ..... Sue Burton, Route 3, Vale 28168
Mt. Zion ..... Lucy Wease, Route 1, Casar 28020
Mull's Chapel ..... Mary Ruth Heavner, Route 3, Box 258 Vale 28168
Oak Ridge ..... Lydia Bryant. Patterson
Olive Grove ..... Aileen Spurling, Route 3, Lawndale 28090
Philadelphia ..... Josephine Brittain, Route 1, Connelly Springs 28612
Pisgah ..... Kenneth Beam, Route 1, Casar 28020
Pleasant Grove .Mrs. Hubert Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 478, Monganton 28655
St. John ..... Hazel William, Route 1, Valdese 28690
St. Paul ..... Bentha Cook, Route 1, Casar 28020
Shoup's Grove ... Elsie Childers, Rt. 3, Box 290, Connelly Springs 28612

Smart's Grove ..... Evelyn Lail, Rt. 4, Box 387A, Morganton 28655
South Fork.... Sherry Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 106, Connelly Springs 28612
Tabernacle.....Marie Towery, Route 1, Lawndale 28090
Walker's Chapel . Blaka Bradley, Route 4, Box 692-10, Morganton 28655
Wilkie's Grove .....Susan Ross, Route 4, Morganton 28655
Zion Hill.....Adene Hicks, Route 3, Lawndale 28090

Table A Church Membership

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Miss Lucille Upton, Associational Clerk
Route 2, Box 308, Vale, North Carolina 28168

Churches	Pastors And Addresses	County	Year organized as church	Location (3: 1 - Open Country, 2 - Village under 500, 3 - Town 500 - 2499, 4 - City 2,500 - 9,999; 4: City 10,000 - 49,999 5 - Downtown 6 - Neighborhood 7 - Suburban; 5: City 50,000 or more 5 - Downtown 6 - Neighborhood 0 - Suburban)	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. mem. rec'd from non-Bap. Ch.	No. mem. lost to non-Bap. Ch.	Value of pastor's home if owned by church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
				3	4	5	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	24	25	26
Abee's Chapel	Buren Hastings, Box 157, Valdese 28690	Burke	1886	1	X		5	2	6	240	123	363	0	1	40,000	110,000	0
Berea	Stuart Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 1098, Conelly Springs	Burke	1947	1	X		4	3	20	343	22	365	0	0	45,000	295,000	51,068
Beulah	Caroll Craig, Rt. 1, Box 78, Newton 28658	Catawa	1905	1	X		0	3	6	80	89	169	0	0	---	100,000	0
Carswell Memorial	Michael White, 401 Willowbrook Dr., Morganton 28655	Burke	1938	1	X		6	5	14	99	37	136	0	0	---	85,000	0
Corinth	Cecil Buff, Box 576, Lawndale 28090	Cleveland	1884	1		X	5	1	5	290	31	321	1	0	---	120,000	0
Drowning Creek	Clyde Paige, Rt. 2, Box 586, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1952	1	X		1	2	3	40	31	71	0	0			
Faith Olive	Berry LaFone, Rt. 2, Box 169, Hickory 28601	Catawba	1965	2	X		0	0	2	101	17	118	0	0	---	50,000	0
Hildebran View	S. T. Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 273, Connelly Springs 28612		1946	1						47	13	60					
Hoyle Memorial	Roy Johnson, Box 295C, Valdese 28690	Cleveland	1967	1	X		0	2	1	30	0	30	0	0	---	25,000	0
Laurel Haven	Clyde Houston, Box 3, Icard 28666	Burke	1971	1	X		9	3	0	27	15	42	3	0	---	55,000	0
Midway	Lex Writht, Rt. 8, Box 646, Hickory 28601	Burke	1956	1	X		2	0	9	123	2	125	0	0	---	73,000	0
Mt. Calvary																	
Mt. Gilead	Ottis Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Burke	1830	1		X	20	4	2	149	48	197	0	0	---	90,000	0
Mt. Hebron	Ralph Gouge, Rt. 3, Box 702, Connelly Spr. 26812	Burke	1870	1	X		19	18	6	344	80	424	0	1	43,000	477,000	110,169
Mt. Vernon		Lincoln	1840	1	X		2	1	9	245	80	325	1	2	30,000	260,000	0
Mt. Zion		Cleveland	1848			X	3	1	2	50	33	83	2	0	---	40,000	0
Mull's Chapel		Catawba	1871	1			5	2	7	65	95	160	0	0	50,000	100,000	0
Oak Ridge	Keith Starnes, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1943	1		X	13	4	5	345	2	347	0	0	40,000	235,000	10,000
Olive Grove	Terrill Crump, Rt. 1, Box 227-B Casar 28020	Cleveland	1884	1		X	10	2	3	209	71	280	0	0	50,000	190,000	26,034
Philadelphia	W. E. Keller, Rt. 7, Box 409 Hickory 28601	Burke	1952	1		X	3	14	2	115	33	148	0	0	---	85,000	0
Pisgah	Dean Coffey, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1840	1		X	0	5	8	179	28	207	0	0	45,000	200,000	0
Pleasant Grove		Burke	1876	1		X	7	2	4	143	20	163	0	0	---	90,000	0
St. John	James Bumgarner, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1842	1	X		10	1	8	196	10	206	0	0	40,000	100,000	0
St. Paul	Joe Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland	1860	1		X	9	3	8	270	148	418	0	0	40,000	250,000	0
Shoup's Grove	R. Harold Ashe, Box 240, Icard 28666	Burke	1892	1	X		0	5	6	248	38	286	0	0	25,000	125,000	0
Smart's Grove	Howard Wilson, Rt. 3, Box 854A, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1935	1	X		4	2	8	113	75	183	0	0	45,000	75,000	0
South Fork	Darrell McGuire, Rt. 4, Box 777-K, Hickory 28601	Burke	1937	1	X		0	8	5	140	30	170	0	0	20,000	159,000	27,700
Tabernacle	John P. Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	Cleveland		1	X		0	0	0	64	2	66	0	0	---	5,000	700
Walker's Chapel	Harold Kanupp, Rt. 3, Box 888, Connelly Springs 28612	Burke	1915	1	X		0	0	2	105	0	105	0	0	---	140,000	26,672
Wilkie's Grove	Charles McDowell, Rt. 4, Box 470, Hickory 28601	Burke	1896	1	X		3	6	17	250	39	289	0	0	25,000	200,000	4,570
Zion Hill	Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	Burke	1859	1	X		1	3	3	283	51	334	0	0	40,000	150,000	0
Zoar	Robert L. Ford, Box 645, Boiling Springs 28017	Cleveland	1934	2		X	0	0	1	27	26	53	0	0	---	200,000	0
	TOTALS						141	102	172	4,960	1,289	6,249	7	4	578,000	3,993,000	256,913

Table B Sunday School

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Mrs. Louise Edwards, Associational Sunday School Director
764 Lowery Street, Shelby, North Carolina 28150

Churches	Sunday School Directors & Addresses	56 Cradle Roll enrol. (Birth to 2 yr.)	57 Preschool enrol. (Birth thru 5 yr.)	58 Children enrol. (6-11 yr or gr. 1-6)	59 Youth enrolmt. (12-17 yr./gr. 7-12)	60 Young Adult enrol. Single (18-29 yr or HS grad.-29 yr.)	61 Young Adult enrol. Married (18-29 yr. or HS grad.-29 yr.)	62 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	63 Senior Adult enrol. (60 and over)	64 Adults Away enrolment	65 Homebound enrol.	66 Gen. off. enrol.	67 Enrol. mission(s) of church	68 Total ongoing SS enrol.	69 Average weekly SS attendance	70 No. Bible Study groups	71 Bible Study groups enrol.	72 Total enroled in Bible Study	73 Church VBS enrol.	74 Mission VBS enrol.	75 Total VBS enrol.
Abee's Chapel	Keith Lail, Rt. 3, Box 854, Connelly Spr. 28612	15	25	31	34	7	24	59	62	0	0	3	0	260	212	0	0	260	116	0	116
Berea	Charlie Townsend, Rt. 3, Box 506 Conn. Sp. 28612	0	23	43	39	12	25	39	6	28	0	4	0	219	101	0	0	219	95	0	95
Beulah	Evan Rhoney, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	0	11	13	9	6	7	20	13	0	0	3	0	82	70	0	0	82	58	0	58
Carswell Memorial	Henry Carswell, Rt. 11, Box 477-B, Morganton 28655	0	10	10	7	7	14	26	18	0	0	3	0	95	56	1	15	110	39	0	39
Corinth	Bobby Downs, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	13	42	27	20	15	30	37	46	0	0	2	0	232	155	0	0	232	139	0	139
Drowning Creek	Preston Stacey, Jr., Rt. 3, Box 538 Conn. Sp. 28612	3	12	13	8	0	0	12	0	0	0	3	0	51	35	1	12	63	70	0	70
Faith Olive	Grady C. Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 26801	0	18	20	22	6	10	18	7	17	0	0	0	118	60	1	15	133	82	0	82
Hildebran View	Keith T. Brittain, Rt. 3, Box 258, Vale 28168																				
Hoyle Memorial	Robert Hoyle, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	4	6	5	0	5	14	0	0	0	2	0	36	18	0	0	36	0	0	0
Laurel Haven	Arden Smith, Rt. 4, Box 621, Morganton 28655	0	2	9	5	1	3	7	4	0	0	2	0	33	23	0	0	33	54	0	54
Midway	Lannie Bryant 3379 14th Ave., S.W. Hickory 28601	0	5	6	10	7	20	23	4	2	0	3	0	80	45	0	0	80	55	0	55
Mt. Calvary																					
Mt. Gilead	Walter Smith, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	7	10	15	18	18	24	19	16	14	1	7	0	149	95	0	0	149	55	0	55
Mt. Hebron	Maynard Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 637, Conn. Sp. 28612	0	42	66	53	10	10	70	14	0	0	4	0	269	193	0	0	269	128	0	128
Mt. Vernon	Rev. Harold Dellinger, Rt. 1, Shelby 28150	10	7	24	24	5	24	65	30	0	10	5	0	204	130	0	0	204	91	0	91
Mt. Zion	Buland Short, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	3	5	4	10	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	38	35	0	0	38	0	0	0
Mull's Chapel	Wayne Corum, Rt. 1, Box 147-C, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	6	4	5	18	1	9	26	5	7	0	0	81	59	0	0	81	60	0	60
Oak Ridge	Dennis Seagel, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	0	32	48	41	9	34	46	15	0	0	4	0	229	138	0	0	229	125	0	125
Olive Grove	Hazel Walker, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	12	35	22	14	16	64	0	0	0	4	0	167	110	0	0	167	108	0	108
Philadelphia	Junior Abernathy, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	15	19	16	5	14	28	10	0	0	9	0	116	96	0	0	116	69	0	69
Pisgah	J. C. Buff, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	14	20	20	11	11	12	16	0	0	4	0	108	67	0	0	108	76	0	76
Pleasant Grove	Delbert Walker, Rt. 1, Box 241, Conn. Sp.	0	8	27	21	6	20	30	11	0	0	0	0	123	78	0	0	123	39	0	39
St. John's	Donald Hoyle, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	20	25	23	3	14	45	20	0	0	0	0	150		0	0	150	83	0	83
St. Paul	Earl Morrison, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	15	34	30	0	30	36	37	0	0	7	0	189	122	0	0	189	94	0	94
Shoup's Grove	Vance Brittain, Box 1, Icard 28666	5	18	36	20	12	30	24	19	0	0	8	0	172	93	0	0	172	89	0	89
Smart's Grove	Larry Mace, Rt. 1, Box 110B, Morganton 28655	7	15	25	14	2	18	42	13	0	0	2	0	138	109	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Fork	Dwight Huffman, Rt. 4, Box 767, Hickory 28601	6	15	32	13	0	18	19	2	0	0	6	0	111	89	0	0	111	111	0	111
Tabernacle	Johnnie Matthews, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	8	0	18	12	0	18	0	0	0	4	0	60	30	0	0	60	35	0	35
Walker's Chapel	Shub Carswell, Rt. 4, Box 494, Morganton 28655	5	10	16	11	5	23	14	21	0	0	0	0	105	60	0	0	105	42	0	42
Wilkie's Grove	Milton Rhoney, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	6	24	39	33	0	33	48	32	0	0	5	0	220	130	0	0	220	85	0	85
Zion Hill	Warren Yancey, Rt. 3, Box 250, Lawndale 28090	0	50	28	31	6	53	36	58	0	0	3	0	265	182	0	0	265	106	0	106
Zoar	Phillip Lail, Rt. 3, Box 27, Lawndale 28090	0	3	6	4	0	0	14	8	0	0	7	0	42	30	0	0	42	41	0	41
	TOTALS	80	481	681	586	197	511	910	503	66	18	104	0	4,142	2,334	3	42	4,046	2,145	0	2,145

Table C Church Training

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Jerry Buff, Associotionol Church Training Director
Route 1, Casar, North carolina 28020

Churches	Church Training Directors & Addresses	76 Preschool enrol. (5 yr. & under - not in school)	77 Children enrol. (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	78 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12	79 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	80 Equipping Centers enrolment	81 Hold File Enrolment	82 General officers enrolment	83 Enrolment of Mission(s) of Church	84 Total ongoing Church Training enrolment	85 Average weekly Church Training attendance	86 New Church Member Training Participation Children	87 Youth	88 Adult
Berea	Charles Berry Box 91, Connelly Springs 28612	19	21	23	43	0	0	1	0	107	43	0	0	0
Beulah	Wando Hildebran, Old Shelby Rd., Morganton 28655	2	4	0	24	0	0	5	0	35	25	0	0	0
Carswell Memorial	Fred Butler, Rt. 11, Box 477, Morganton 28655	6	6	2	22	0	0	2	0	38	24	0	0	0
Mt. Hebron	Dennis Wright, Box 351, Icard 28666	3	23	16	28	0	0	3	0	73	56	0	0	0
Mt. Vernon	Dale Wise, Rt. 4, Vole 28168	1	6	13	24	0	0	1	0	45	28	0	0	0
Mull's Chapel	Martin Ayers, Rt. 1, Box 128-A3, Connelly Springs 28612	6	7	8	15	0	0	0	0	36	23	0	0	0
Oak Ridge	Doug Bryont, Potterson, N.C.	3	12	20	24	0	0	2	0	61	57	0	0	0
Pisgah	Mrs. Billy Hoyle, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	4	5	7	18	0	0	2	0	36	30	0	0	0
St. Paul	Bentha Cook, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	9	10	16	29	0	0	1	0	65	35	0	0	0
Shoup's Grove	Billy Ashe, Box 240, Icard 2866	3	18	10	43	0	0	3	0	77	32	0	0	0
Wilkie's Grove	Marie Swink, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	8	13	3	19	0	0	2	0	45	35	0	0	0
Zion Hill	Gerald Sailors, Rt. 3, Lowndale 28090	6	4	5	8	8	5	2	5	43	40	0	0	0
	TOTALS	70	129	123	297	8	5	24	5	661	428	0	0	0

Table D Church Music

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Mr. Virgil Buff, Associational Music Director
Box 462, Hildebran, North Carolina 28637

Churches	Music Directors & Addresses	89 Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	90 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	91 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	92 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	93 Handbell ringers enrolment	94 Vocal ensembles enrolment	95 Instrumental ensembles enrol.	96 General music leaders enrolment	97 Enrolment of mission(s) of Church	98 Total ongoing Church Music enrolment	99 Average weekly Church Music attendance	100 Church Music study group enrol.
Abee's Chapel	Ronder Crawford, Rt. 1, Box 42, Valdese 28690	12	6	8	46	0	0	0	8	0	80	65	0
Bereo	Robert Berry, Rt. 2, Box 955-V4, Valdese 28690	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	2	0	22	14	0
Beulah	Brenda White, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	5	4	8	18	0	4	0	4	0	43	30	0
Corswell Memorial	Ricky Sain, Rt. 3, Box 180-A Vale 28168	0	3	15	0	0	5	3	5	0	31	20	0
Corinth	Don McNeilly, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	9	10	20	0	0	0	0	0	39	20	0
Drowning Creek	Preston Stacey, Jr., Rt. 3, Box 538, Connelly Springs 28612												
Faith Olive	Mrs. Geralding Hudspeth, Rt. 8, Box 455, Hickory 28601												
Hildebran View	Mrs. Della Hudson, Rt. 3, Box 251, Vale 28168												
Hoyle Memorial	Pauline Mellon, Rt. 1, Casar 28020												
Laurel Haven	Minnie Nelson, Rt. 4, Box 649, Morganton 28655	0	7	6	10	0	1	0	2	0	26	20	0
Midway	Ray Weaver, Rt. 2, Box 637, Connelly Springs 28612	0	2	6	13	0	0	0	4	0	25	20	0
Mt. Calvary													
Mt. Gilead	Ruthie Parker, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612												
Mt. Hebron	Virgil Buff, Box 462, Hildebran 28637	0	35	0	36	0	0	0	4	0	75	32	0
Mt. Vernon	Omar Hoyle, Rt. 4, Vale 28168	0	0	8	18	0	5	0	6	0	37	18	0
Mt. Zion	Tammy Chapman, Bostic												
Mull's Chapel	Koren Hull, Rt. 2, Box 385, Vale 28168	0	0	8	15	0	0	0	3	0	26	14	9
Oak Ridge	Terry Childers, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	3	0	28	20	0
Olive Grove	Daphene McNeilly, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	8	8	20	0	1	2	4	0	43	35	0
Philadelphio	Jack Price, Rt. 7, Hickory 28601	5	10	6	25	0	0	0	2	0	48	40	0
Pisgah	Mrs. Robert Beam, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	5	7	13	0	0	0	3	0	28	28	0
Pleasant Grove	Hubert H. Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 478, Morganton 28655												
St. John's	Betty Huffman, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	7	9	4	5	0	0	0	9	0	34		
St. Paul	Cloude Cooke, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	5	10	8	20	0	3	4	0	0	50	35	0
Shoup's Grove	Dot Shuford, Rt. 1, Box 39-2, Connelly Springs 28612	0	4	15	15	0	0	2	2	0	38	32	0
Smart's Grove	Don Abee, Rt. 1, Box 110A, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Fork	Mickey Propst, Rt. 4, Box 776, Hickory 28601	10	15	5	30	0	0	0	2	0	62	62	0
Tabernacle		4	2	1	15	0	0	0	0	0	22	10	0
Walker's Chapel	J. C. Bradley, Rt. 4, Box 692-10 Morganton 28655												
Wilkie's Grove	Harold Cantrell, Rt. 3, Box 127-A, Connelly Springs 27612	4	6	5	20	0	0	0	8	0	43	15	0
Zion Hill	Kenneth F. Sain, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	0	7	10	12	0	4	0	2	0	35	25	0
Zoar													
	TOTALS	52	142	138	396	0	23	11	73	0	835	555	9

Table E Woman's Missionary Union

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Mrs. Frances Melton, Associational WMU Director
Route 8, Box 304, Hickory, North Carolina 28601

Churches	WMU Directors & Addresses	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
		Mission Friends (5 yr & under)	Girls in Action (6-11 yr/gr. 1-6)	Acteens (12-17 yr. or gr. 7-12)	Bapt. Yg. Wom. (18-29 yr. or H.S. grad. thru 29 yr.)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Mission(s) of Church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (5 yr. & under-not in school)	Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Acteens 12-17 yr. or grades 7-12)	Bapt. Yg. Wom. (18-29 yr. or H.S. grad. thru 29 yr.)	Bapt. Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Mission(s) of church	Total ongoing WMU enrolment
Abee's Chapel	Mrs. Mildred Crawford, Rt. 1, Box 42, Valdese 28690	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	5	11	5	8	18	3	0	50
Beulah	Dorthey Houser, Rt. 8, Box 256, Hickory 28601	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	8	0	7	0	17	3	0	35
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Fred Butler, Rt. 11, Box 477, Morgantan 28655	1	0	1	1	1	0	4	4	0	7	8	5	3	0	27
Corinth	Mrs. Hazel Lail, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	4	0	12
Drowning Creek	Dorothy Munday, Rt. 3, Box 525-B, Connelly Springs 28612	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	6	5	2	0	7	0	0	20
Midway	Mrs. Ray Weaver, Rt. 2, Box 637, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	4	0	10	6	0	22
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Barbara Smith, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	12	3	0	15
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. Shirley Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 637, Connelly Springs 28612	1	2	1	1	1	0	6	7	12	10	12	10	1	0	52
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Gladys Hull, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	3	6	8	0	25	5	0	47
Oak Ridge	Brenda Lawman, Rt. 2, Box 334, Connelly Springs 28612	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	3	14	12	0	5	3	0	37
Philadelphia	Mrs. Linda Abernathy, Rt. 14, Hickory 28601	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	11	12	0	0	0	0	23
Pisgah	Mrs. Don Elliatt, Rt. 1, Lawndale 28090	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	11	14	13	0	12	4	0	54
St. Paul	Mary Ann Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	10	13	0	0	13	5	0	41
Shaup's Grove	Betty Johnson, Rt. 4, Box 489-C, Hickory 28601	0	1	1	1	1	0	4	0	6	6	8	8	4	0	32
Wilkie's Grove	Frances Meltan, Rt. 8, Box 304, Hickory 28601	1	1	1	0	2	0	5	4	16	3	0	25	8	0	56
Zion Hill	Helen Wellman, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	8	0	8	0	30	2	0	48
	TOTALS	11	12	13	4	16	0	56	69	110	97	36	205	54	0	571

Table F Brotherhood

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Joe Goforth, Associational Brotherhood Director
Route 1, Casar, North Carolina 28020

Churches	Brotherhood Director & Addresses	116 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	117 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	118 RA director and committee	119 Baptist Men enrolment - Basic	120 Baptist Men enrolment - Prayer	121 Baptist Men enrolment - Mission Action	122 Baptist Men enrol. Witnessing or Lay Renewal	123 Brotherhood dir. & other gen. Brotherhood Officers	124 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	125 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Abee's Chapel	Robert Woodie, Rt. 1, Box 40, Valdese 28690	16	6	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	70
Carswell Memorial	David Lewis, Rt. 11, Box 472-A, Morganton 28655	3	1	1	7	0	0	0	1	0	13
Drowning Creek	Dan Munday, Rt. 3, Box 525-B, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	5	0	21
Mt. Hebron	Edison Franklin, Rt. 3, Box 740, Connelly Springs 28612	25	8	7	8	0	0	0	1	0	49
Mt. Vernon	Arnold Sain, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	3	2	1	6	0	0	0	2	0	14
Oak Ridge	Terry Childers, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	22
Philadelphia	Junior Abernathy, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Pisgah	Ernest Oliver, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	6	8	3	14	0	0	0	1	0	32
St. Paul	Joe Goforth, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	6	13	2	23	0	0	0	0	0	44
Shoup's Grove	Bruce Watson, Icard 28666	10	15	7	0	0	5	0	1	0	38
Wilkie's Grove	Donald Brittain, Rt. 4, Box 581, Hickory 28601	12	7	1	10	0	0	0	1	0	31
Zion Hill	Horace F. Sain, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	2	7	4	5	0	0	0	1	0	19
	TOTALS	93	67	26	159	0	5	0	13	0	363

Table G Total Receipts

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Miss Doris Uptan, Associatianal Treasurer
Route 2, Bax 308, Vale, North Carolina 28168

Churches	Treasurers & Addresses	21 Number of tithers	22 Coop. Prog. goal percent of tot. budg.	23 Assn. missions goal percent tot. budget	27 Budget promotion or emphasis used during year: Forward Prog.	Alt. Forw. Prog.	Tithers Commit.	Stewardship Rev.	Simplified Budg	Other	126 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	127 All other receipts	128 Total receipts	129 Money borrowed during the year	130 Church staff salaries	131 Money paid out on new construction during the year	132 Debt retirement during the year	133 Church literature	134 All other local expenditures	135 Total local expenditures
Abee's Chapel	Ulen Lowman, Box 27, Valdese 28690	97	-	-						X	78,044	0	78,044	--	15,678	17,700	--	750	3,840	37,968
Berea	Russell Huffman, Rt. 1, Bax 259, Valdese 28690	50	16	3			X				50,406	535	50,941	--	10,642	--	9,689	2,693	27,917	50,941
Beulah	Anna Martha Young, Rt. 3, Vale 28168	20	2	-			X				18,118	975	19,093	--	8,850	--	--	423	6,796	16,069
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Versie Carswell, Rt. 4, Box 543, Morganton	15	2	-						X	18,696	0	18,696	--	11,075	1,861	--	552	4,310	17,798
Corinth	Mrs. Betty Buff, Box 134, Lawndale 28090	45	10	1					X		37,895	871	38,766	--	13,783	--	--	1,139	8,820	23,742
Drowning Creek	C. P. Elliot, Rt. 7, Box 251, Hickory 28601	--	-	-							5,517	0	5,517	--	1,665	--	--	2,749	723	5,137
Faith Olive	Mrs. Gladys Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickary 28601	10	-	-							8,480	0	8,480	--	4,845	233	--	452	1,550	7,080
Hildebran View	Mrs. Keith Brittain, Rt. 3, Box 258, Vale 28168																			
Hoyle Memorial	Helen Whisnant, Rt. 1, Box 351, Casar 28020	3	-	-						X	3,691	0	3,691	--	--	--	--	100	5,309	5,409
Laurel Haven	Jessie Riddle, Rt. 4, Box 658, Morganton 28655	11	2.5	2			X				8,539	0	8,539	--	2,685	2,094	--	150	1,657	6,586
Midway	Joseph Beaver, Rt. 7, Box 5, Hickory 28601										9,230	0	9,230	--	6,180	--	--	236	1,057	7,473
Mt. Calvary																				
Mt. Gilead	Mrs. Carrie Buff, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	6	-	-							15,436	0	15,436	--	3,024	--	6,805	226	1,026	11,081
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. Dorothy Lowman, Rt. 3, Box 692, Conn. Sp.	83	10	2					X		80,307	438	80,745	--	16,605	--	31,157	2,832	15,653	66,247
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Nancy Hendrick, Westgate Dr., Cherryville	43	15	5					X		50,846	0	50,846	--	12,777	--	--	1,660	16,590	31,027
Mt. Zion	Nettie Lee Logan, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	--	-	-							7,746	0	7,746	--	2,450	--	--	146	1,669	4,265
Mull's Chapel	Katherine Young, Rt. 1, Box 270, Conn. Sp. 28612	18	2	1						X	27,719	30	27,749	--	10,023	--	1,920	616	12,604	25,163
Oak Ridge	Betty Sherrill, 721 Harris, Ave. N.W. Valdese	60	10	2			X				51,090	0	51,090	--	14,946	1,306	4,357	3,215	15,805	39,629
Olive Grove	Kathy Lemmons, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	18	-	-						X	33,114	35	33,149	--	8,275	--	11,720	424	11,242	31,661
Philadelphia	Mrs. Helen Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 288, Conn. Spr.	46	2	2						X	34,325	1,025	35,350	--	9,785	--	--	975	2,352	13,112
Pisgah	Mrs. Troy Warlick, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	20	10	6						X	30,000	0	30,000	--	8,500	--	--	900	6,600	16,000
Pleasant Grove	Hubert H. Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 478, Morganton	10	-	-						X	14,558	0	14,558	--	3,600	--	--	402	8,837	12,839
St. John's	Sylvia Willis, Rt. 4, Box 560, Hickory 28601	21	-	-						X	34,979	0	34,979	--	16,088	2,201	--	1,323	8,004	27,616
St. Paul	Lucille Green, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	30	-	-							37,177	0	37,177	--	13,260	--	--	3,714	17,203	34,177
Shoup's Grove	Maggie Huffman, Box 321, Hildebran 28637	55	-	-							46,574	0	46,574	--	10,585	5,610	--	1,299	15,650	33,144
Smart's Grove	Mabel Lowman, Rt. 3, Connelley Springs 28612	60	-	-							43,064	0	43,064	--	11,035	--	--	161	19,371	30,617
South Fork	Marie Eckard, Rt. 4, Box 782-B, Hickory 28601	52	9	3						X	42,177	0	42,177	--	11,070	--	9,635	796	16,234	37,735
Tabernacle	Mrs. John Glover, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	6								X	5,098	0	5,098	--	1,500	--	--	120	2,830	4,450
Walker's Chapel	Alexander Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 290-H, Conn Sp.	20									24,165	0	24,165	--	5,660	4,778	6,650	833	2,323	20,244
Wilkie's Grove	Patricia Stephens, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	45	10.5	5						X	53,998	0	53,998	5,406	18,760	--	6,710	2,924	18,105	46,499
Zion Hill	Mrs. Linda B. Cook, Rt. 2, Box 221, Lawndale	50	10	5						X	55,052	0	55,052	--	17,500	5,619	--	1,695	36,793	61,607
Zoar	Jim Mauney, Box 1664, Shelby 28150	28								X	7,850	934	8,784	--	3,720	--	--	282	2,808	6,810
	TOTALS	922									933,891	4,843	938,734	5,406	274,616	41,402	88,643	33,787	293,678	732,125

Table H Mission Expenditures

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Rev. Joe Edwards, Director of Associational Missions
764 Lowery St., Shelby, North Carolina 28150

Churches	Church Clerks & Addresses	136 Church Sponsored Missions: Money pd. out on new constr. dur. year	137 Church Sponsored Missions: All oth. church sponsored missn. expenditures	138 Church Sponsored Missions: Total church spons. mission expenditures	139 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Cooperative Program	140 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Associ. mission program	141 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: State missions	142 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Home Mssn. (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering	143 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Forgn. Missn. (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas Off.	144 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Christian educ. (schools, etc.)	145 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Children's homes (cash plus gds.)	146 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Hospitals	147 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: SB Homes for aged	148 Other Mission Cause Expenditures: Desig.: All oth (Bib. Society, Temp. Lg., etc.)	149 Tot. oth. missn. cause expend.	150 Grand Total Mission expenditures
Abee's Chapel	Ivey E. Lowman, Rt 1, Box 60-Z, Valdese 28690	2,400	2,400	4,800	---	175	50	735	2,988	---	100	150	100	---	4,298	9,098
Berea	Mrs. Doris Townsend, Rt. 3, Box 508, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	7,051	1,396	248	200	912	0	43	0	0	1,283	4,082	11,133
Beulah	Peggie Houser, Rt. 1, Box 126-B, Connelly Spr 28612	0	0	0	911	384	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	428	1,339
Carswell Memorial	Sarah Carswell, Rt 11, Box 469, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	299	225	70	85	715	0	54	0	527	0	1,676	1,975
Corinth	Leonard Newton, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	3,868	363	288	244	1,641	0	0	0	0	847	3,383	7,251
Drowning Creek	Dorothy Munday, Rt. 3, Box 525-B, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	25	125
Faith Olive	Mrs. Gladys Allen, Rt. 8, Box 496, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	13	0	0	14	15	0	76	0	53	341	499	512
Hildebran View	Mrs. H. L. Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 273-A, Conn. Spr. 28612															
Hoyle Memorial	Vasco Price, Rt. 3, Box 275, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50
Laurel Haven	Ellen Patton, Rt. 7, Box 511, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	230	200	30	55	213	21	0	31	53	0	603	833
Midway	Mrs. Connie Wright, Rt. 2, Box 595-D, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	18	25	148	0	0	0	0	0	191	191
Mt. Calvary																
Mt. Gilead		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. Mavin Carswell, Rt. 3, Box 784, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	8,570	1,090	376	1,187	1,942	0	65	0	0	1,156	5,816	14,386
Mt. Vernon	Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale 28168	0	0	0	5,925	1,943	136	356	2,528	86	240	0	0	92	5,381	11,306
Mt. Zion	Sam Proctor, Rt. 1, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	346	200	0	0	60	37	43	0	0	158	493	844
Mull's Chapel	Carole Corum, Rt. 1, Box 147-C, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	82	286	0	56	500	0	139	50	50	45	1,126	1,208
Oak Ridge	Sharon Wycoff, Rt. 2, Box 329, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	4,714	975	700	3,367	1,612	0	0	0	0	0	6,654	11,368
Olive Grove	Mrs. Howard Walker, Rt. 1, Box 212, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	178	0	0	215	443	443
Philadelphia	Mrs. Sadie Brittain, Rt. 1, Box 128-B, Conn Spr. 28612	0	0	0	313	649	0	0	141	0	75	0	0	0	865	1,178
Pisgah	Mrs. Austin Pruett, Box 13, Casar 28020	0	0	0	1,800	570	200	200	400	0	0	0	0	1,330	2,700	4,500
Pleasant Grove	Carl W. Powell, Rt. 4, Box 466, Morganton 28655	0	200	200	31	0	0	0	0	0	50	86	0	1,350	1,486	1,717
St. John's	Brenda Hinegardner, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	248	0	0	0	0	0	248	248
St. Paul	Worth Willis, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	145	0	322	782	818	0	205	0	0	79	2,206	2,351
Shoup's Grove	Mrs. Jane Paige, Rt. 4, Box 812-A, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	414	694	1,290	0	2,200	0	240	0	0	4,130	8,554	8,968
Smart's Grove	Rita Mace, Rt. 1, Box 1108, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,140	7,140	7,140
South Fork	Evelyn Webb, Rt. 4, Box 540, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	2,998	1,074	0	0	100	0	117	0	0	0	1,291	4,289
Tabernacle	Ruth Glover, Rt. 4, Box 143, Conover 28613	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walker's Chapel	Mrs. Faye C. Peeler, Rt. 1, Box 297, Conn. Spr. 28612	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	50	464	614	630
Wilkie's Grove	Pearl Chapman, Rt. 4, Box 332, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	5,407	2,043	0	540	1,232	0	156	0	0	200	4,171	9,578
Zion Hill	Mrs. Alvin Cook, Rt. 4, Box 286, Vale 28168	0	0	0	4,424	2,112	112	1,137	1,629	0	167	30	72	0	5,259	9,683
Zoar	Gail N. Ford, Box 645, Boiling Springs 28017	0	0	0	200	50	100	0	63	0	104	0	0	0	317	517
	TOTALS	2,400	2,600	5,000	47,857	14,504	3,965	8,983	20,149	144	2,127	397	905	13,830	70,004	122,861

Table I Special Information

Year Ending August 31, 1979

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
State of North Carolina
Rev. Thomas Berry, Moderator
Route 3, Lawndale, North Carolina 28090

Churches	Chairmen of Deacons & Addresses	28 No. church-type miss started during year	29 No. church-type miss currently operating	30 No. other-type miss started during year	31 No. other-type miss currently operating	32 No. completing a witness training event or activity	33 No. of revivals	34 Dea. enrolment	35 No. preparing for missionary appoint	36 S. S. Workers Meeting W.-weekly M.-monthly	37 No. black members	38 No. Spanish spk. mbs	39 No. of college students baptized	40 Library	41 Planning new build. or remodeling project	42 Equipping Center materials	43 Bapt. Doctrine Study	44 Bapt. heritage emph.	45 Church Council	46 Broadman Read. Plan	47 Christian Life Comm.	48 S. S. Leadership Preparation Week	49 Television Program	50 Radio Program	51 Annuity Bd. protection plan for the pastor	52 Baptist Men's Day	53 Fin. Assistance for pastors contin. edu.	54 Bapt. Semin. Colleges and Schools Day	55 State paper in budget
		Does Church have, Observe, Plan, Use, etc.? Y = Yes N = No																											
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourglea, Jr., Rt. 1, Box 358-C, Connelly Sp. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y
Berea	Brady Burns, Rt. 3, Box 516, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	√	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Beulah	L. E. Willis, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Carswell Memorial	James B. Smith, Rt. 4, Box 394, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	M	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Corinth	J. L. Newton, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	-	0	0	0	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N
Drowning Creek	Dan Munday, Rt. 3, Box 525-B, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	M	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Faith Olive	Grady C. Allen, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Hildebran View	H. L. Lowman, Rt. 1, Box 273-A, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Hoyle Memorial	Vasco Price, Rt. 3, Box 275, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Laurel Haven	Jim Hoyle, Rt. 4, Box 650, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N
Midway	Joseph Beaver, Rt. 7, Box 5, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mt. Calvary																														
Mt. Gilead	Ronald Rhoney, Rt. 1, Box 221-R, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mt. Hebron	Maynard Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 637, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	36	1	0	0	M	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
Mt. Vernon	Paul Leatherman, Rt. 2, Vale 28168	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N
Mt. Zion	Buland Short, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mull's Chapel	Ed Keller, 150, 41 St. S. W., Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N
Oak Ridge	Terry Childers, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs 28612	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	M	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y
Olive Grove	Hazel Walker, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Philadelphia	Alvin Brittain, 1011 30th St. S.W. Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
Pisgah	Kenneth Beam, Rt. 1, Casar 28020	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	1	W	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Pleasant Grove	Carl W. Powell, Rt. 4, Box 466, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N
St. John	Brenda Hinegardner, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
St. Paul	Earl Morrison, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N
Shoup's Grove	Vance Brittain, Box 1, Icard 28666	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N
Smart's Grove	Larry Harman, Rt. 4, Box 337, Morganton 28655	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
South Fork	John Munday, 407 26th St., S.W. Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	M	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N
Tabernacle	Floyd Terry, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N
Walker's Chapel	Alexander Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 290-A, Connelly Spr. 28612	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
Wilkie's Grove	Bill Clark, Rt. 4, Hickory 28601	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N
Zion Hill	Warren Yancey, Rt. 3, Box 250, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	M	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
Zoar	Lester Lail, Rt. 3, Lawndale 28090	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
	TOTALS	0	0	0	0	51	49	1	1		0	0	0																

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SOUTH MOUNTAIN
Baptist Association
North Carolina 1980

Minutes
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SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
North Carolina
1980

Seventieth Annual Session

First Day ..... Mt. Hebron
Second Day ..... Abee's Chapel

October 16-17, 1980

1981 Session Will Be Held On Thursday and
Friday After The Second Sunday In October
October 15-16

First Day ..... Wilkie's Grove
Second Day ..... Pleasant Grove

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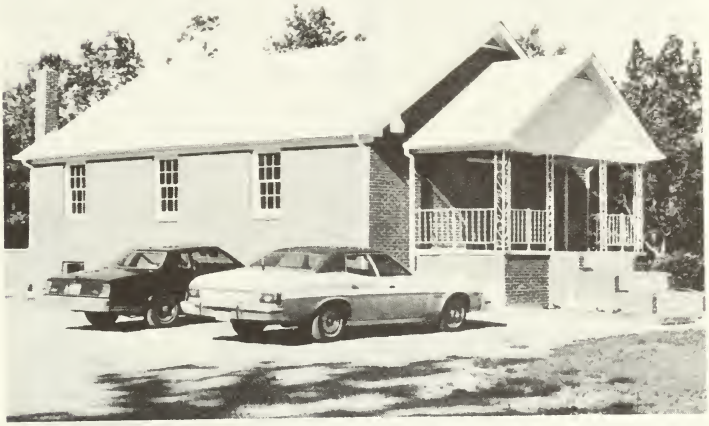
DEDICATION

In recognition and appreciation of his services to the churches he has pastored, the leadership he afforded the Association while he served as Director of Missions, and his special talent and interest which caused him to dedicate extra hours of work in the maintenance and beautification of the office site, the nominating committee recommended that the 1980 minutes be dedicated to Rev. Harold Dellinger.

Harold for several years operated such a successful dairy business that he was recognized and honored as an outstanding dairyman. He forfeited all this to attend Fruitland Bible Institute in preparation for the ministry. His educational accomplishments afforded him the opportunity to pastor three Associational churches: Pisgah, Philadelphia and presently Mt. Zion. He served as Director of Missions and due to his unusual talent and ability as a carpenter/mason he dedicated hours of work to the beautification and landscaping of the new location for the Associational office. The beautiful rock work surrounding the building is evidence of his skill. These same talents were useful in four mission projects when he went to Antigua, Barbadas, Western N.C. and New York to help build and repair churches. He and his wife Theo have two sons Harold and Michael and two grandchildren.

On the grounds where Mt. Hebron is now situated, a log church known as Zoar was built in the 1840's by a Lutheran congregation. With the passing of time, Baptists became the leading denomination. Somewhere between 1870-1875, nine men and eighteen women organized a Baptist church and held services in the old log building where Israel Hildebran preached for many years. On May 27, 1918 all property claims of the Lutherans were settled and plans were begun for a new building which was completed in 1922. In 1929 a fire destroyed this building and a new brick church was erected and given the name Mt. Hebron. Rev. Ralph Gouge is the tenth pastor to serve this congregation and between March and December, 1976 the present building was completed. Membership has grown to approximately 430 and a full denominational program is carried on.



Laurel Haven traces its beginning to a service held in the yard of the home of Burl Walker on Laurel Haven Mountain. This group of believers became the charter members and first held services in a tent. With the coming of colder weather they rented a building for worship. In a short time the church purchased one and one half acres of land for a future building site. In 1975 the church came under the watch-care of the Association and was soon accepted into the fellowship of churches. A new brick building was erected in 1976-77 and the church is already debt-free. The Congregation did most of the work on the Construction project and Rev. Clyde Houston is presently serving as pastor.

Abee's Chapel was organized as a missionary Baptist church in 1886. The first structure was a small one-room building which served as a meeting place for the congregation until 1939 when new Sunday School rooms were added. The church outgrew these facilities and in 1955 voted to build a new sanctuary. In January, 1956 the church accepted a deed to a tract of land and in March a ground-breaking ceremony was held. The first service in the newly erected building was held in October, 1956. Recently the congregation has purchased two and a half acres of land adjacent to the church for a proposed cemetery extension, enlarged parking facilities and a future building site. Rev. Buren Hastings is the present pastor.

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

Moderator.....Rev. Charles McDowell, Rt. 4, Box 470, Hickory, 28601, 397-6967
Vice-Moderator.....Rev. Stuart Johnson, Rt. 1, Box 1098, Connelly Springs, 28612, 879-8713
Clerk.....Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale, 28168, 276-2114
Treasurer.....Doris Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale, 28168, 276-2114
Sunday School Director.....Mrs. Louise Edwards, 764 Lowery St., Shelby, 28150, 428-6568
Church Training Director.....Jerry Buff, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020, 538-9596
Womans Missionary Director...Mrs. Frances Melton, Rt. 8, Box 304, Hickory, 28601, 397-6245
Brotherhood Dirctor.....Ned Taylor, Rt. 3, Box 790, Connelly Springs, 28612, 397-3008
Vacation Bible School Dir....Mrs. Gail Ford, Rt. 4, Vale, 28168, 276-1744
R.A. Director.....Dale Carswell, Rt. 3, Box 790, Connelly Springs, 28612, 879-9840
Music Director.....Robert Berry, Rt. 2, Box 958-V4, Connelly Springs, 28612, 397-3644
Pianist.....Sue Burton, Rt. 2, Vale, 28168, 276-2920
Historian.....Lucille Upton, Rt. 2, Box 308, Vale, 28168, 276-2114
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Director of Missions.....Rev. Joe Edwards, 764 Lowery St., Shelby, 28150, 428-6568

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BEREA.....Rev. Stuart Johnson
MT. VERNON.....Lucille Upton
MT. VERNON.....Doris Upton
PISGAH.....Mrs. Louise Edwards
ST. PAUL.....Jerry Buff
WILKIES' GROVE.....Mrs. Frances Melton
MT. HEBRON.....Ned Taylor
MT. VERNON.....Mrs. Gail Ford
BEULAH.....Dale Carswell
BEREA.....Robert Berry
MT. VERNON.....Sue Burton
ZION HILL.....Rev. Thomas Berry
OAK RIDGE.....Terry Childers
OAK RIDGE.....Eugene Sherrill

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MT. GILEAD.....Rev. Ottis Cook, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020

MT. HEBRON.....Rev. Ralph Gouge, Rt. 3, Box 702, Connelly Springs, 28612, 397-3748

MT. VERNON.....Rev. Robert Ford, Rt. 4, Vale, 28168 276-1744

MT. ZION.....Rev. Harold Dellinger, Rt. 1, Shelby, 28150, 435-5630

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PHILADELPHIA.....

PISGAH.....Rev. Dean Coffey, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020, 538-9638

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ST. PAUL.....Rev. Joe Forbes, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020, 538-9786

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ZION HILL.....Rev. Thomas Berry, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090, 538-8551

ZOAR.....

MESSENGERS

ABEE'S CHAPEL:	Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Setzer, Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Lowman, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Lail, Mr. and Mrs. Max Lowman, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Willis, Mrs. Velvie Hildebran, Mrs. Gert Barger.
BEREA:	Charlie Townsend, Brady Burns, Paul Robinson, Russell Huffman, Robert Berry.
BEULAH:	Hettie Willis, Nellie Rudisill, E. A. Rudisill, Elmer Lindsay, Aline Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Ronell Lindsay.
BIBLE GOSPEL:	
CARSWELL MEMORIAL:	Henry Carswell, Versie Carswell, Isabell Butler, Debbie Serra.
CORINTH:	Mrs. Mazel Lail, Ms. Virginia Robertson, Buford Betts, Brant Brackett, Rev. Cecil Buff.
DROWNING CREEK:	Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Munday.
HOYLE MEMORIAL:	Vasco Price, Rev. Jim Self.
LAUREL HAVEN:	Flavie Houston, Lela Hoyle, Minnie Lender.
MIDWAY:	Rev. and Mrs. Lex Wright, Donnie Chapman, Vernie Wright, Mrs. Ray Weaver.
MT. GILEAD:	Bessie Chapman, Mary York, Nadie Parker, Roney Lail.
MT. HEBRON:	Ruth Hoyle, John Burns, Nell Brittain, Judy Huffman, Mabel Abernathy, Rev. Ralph Gouge, Bernice Gouge.
MT. VERNON:	Ola Mae Gantt, Edna Houser, Edith Wise, Eula Pendleton, Zack Leatherman, Gladys Hull, Essie Heavner, Vangie Goodman, Faye Downs, Johnnie Burton.
MT. ZION:	
MULLS CHAPEL:	Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McClurd, Mr. and Mrs. Everette Rhoney, Mrs. Ruby Rhoney.
OAK RIDGE:	Lee Roy Childers, Lillian Childers, Rev. Keith Starnes.
OLIVE GROVE:	Rev. and Mrs. Terrill Crump, Flavie Cook, Ralph Parker, Bobby Joe McDaniel, Guynell Cook.
PHILADELPHIA:	Alvin Brittain, Mrs. Faye Brittain.
PISGAH:	Rev. and Mrs. Joe Edwards, Rev. Dean Coffey, J. C. Buff, Mrs. Eunice Buff, Lawrence Davis, Mrs. Knox Davis.
PLEASANT GROVE:	Hubert H. Lindsay.
ST. JOHN'S:	Sam Huffman, Ruby Huffman, James Bumgarner, Eldon Hinegardner, Brenda Hinegardner.
ST. PAUL:	Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Max Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Cook, Worth Willis, Mrs. Lussie Willis.
SHOUP'S GROVE:	Bruce Watson, Billy Gregg, Rev. R. Harold Ashe.
SMART'S GROVE:	
SOUTH FORK:	Evelyn Webb, Betty Westby, Neil Abernathy, Rev. Darrell McGuire.
TABERNACLE:	
WALKER'S CHAPEL:	
WILKIE'S GROVE:	Frances Melton, Rev. Charlie McDowell, Betty McDowell, Aileen Martin, Annie Sain, Bill Clark, Gary Starnes, Jerry Cline.

ZION HILL: Mary Lail, Horace Sain, Bernice Wright, Kenneth Sain, Linda Wright, Paula Sain, Coleen Sain.

ZOAR: Ottie Whitworth, Lester Lail, Brenda Chapman, Delia Faye Chapman.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I--NAME AND MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. This body shall be known as the South Mountain Baptist Association of North Carolina.

SECTION 2. The Association shall be composed of members from Missionary Baptist Churches.

SECTION 3. Any Baptist Church may be admitted into this Association upon recommendation of the Committee of Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches and the majority vote of members present at any Executive Committee Meeting or Annual Meeting of the Association.

SECTION 4. Any church may, at her discretion, withdraw from this body.

SECTION 5. This Association may at any meeting, after investigation and report of a duly authorized committee of the Association, by a majority vote declare a dissolution of union with any church deemed corrupt, either in doctrine or practice.

SECTION 6. The Association shall consist of messengers who are members of the affiliated churches as follows:

Each church affiliated with this Association shall be entitled to three messengers, and one additional messenger for every fifty members or major fraction thereof.

SECTION 7. At the Annual Meeting of this Association, a Moderator, a Vice Moderator, a Clerk, and Treasurer shall be chosen by vote and hold office until their successors are elected. A Moderator shall not be eligible to succeed himself after having served in office for two years.

SECTION 8. The meetings of the Association shall be held annually beginning on Thursday after the second Sunday of October unless otherwise ordered by the Association or the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE II--PURPOSE

SECTION 1. The prime purpose of this Association shall be to counsel together for the enlargement and strengthening of God's Kingdom and to promote unity and growth among the churches composing it.

SECTION 2. It shall be the purpose of this Association to enlist all of the Churches into full cooperation with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of Missions, Evangelism, Christian Education and Social Service.

ARTICLE III--POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

SECTION 1. The Association, when convened in meeting, shall sit as an advisory council and shall have no power to infringe on any of the internal rights of the member churches. It may advise, however, with the member churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption or rejection.

SECTION 2. When grievances occur between any member or minority group of any church which is a member of the Association, the Association, the Executive Committee thereof, or the committee designated by one acting for either of these bodies, may advise or give aid in manners which do not infringe on the rights of the local church, and this only on the invitation of the individual or group involved.

SECTION 3. Any church found to be unfaithful to the faith and practices common to the Association shall be encouraged to correct such errors. If the conduct of said church is not corrected and is of such a nature as to alienate said church from the orderly and faithful churches of the Association, the Executive Committee of the Association can recommend that fellowship be withdrawn from said church, and upon a majority vote of the messengers in an annual session, fellowship with such church can be withdrawn.

SECTION 4. For the mutual benefit of the churches composing this Association, it shall be the duty of each church to forward with messengers a written communication to each annual meeting, specifying the names of messengers, statistics of the church for the foregoing year, giving information concerning its spiritual conditions and stating the names of the pastor and other licentiates of ordained ministers connected with the church.

ARTICLE IV--THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1. The Association shall have an Executive Committee to serve as the Association ad interim, assisting in the overall work of the Association with such limitations as may be imposed by the constitution.

SECTION 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Associational officers and the pastor, and the Chairman of the Deacons along with two (2) elected lay persons (male or female) from each church. Ten members shall constitute a quoram. The names of these persons will be furnished annually to the Associational Clerk. If changes occur during the Associational year, these changes should be forwarded to the Clerk.

SECTION 3. At the beginning of each Executive Committee Meeting, a roll call will be taken of each church and its representatives.

SECTION 4. The Executive Committee Meetings shall be on Tuesday after the second Sunday in January, April, July and Tuesday after the first Sunday in October.

ARTICLE V--OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of this body shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director,* Brotherhood Director, WMU Director, Vacation Bible School Director, R.A. Leader, Music Director, Pianist, Historian, Evangelism Chairman, and Deacon Director.

SECTION 2. The officers of the Association shall be elected at each regular Annual Meeting of the Association. The Committee on Committees and Nominating Committee shall fill vacancies that may occur in their respective categories between Annual Meetings of the Association by bringing names to the Executive Committee for their approval.

SECTION 3. By virtue of the office, the Associational Director of Missions is considered an officer of the Association and shall be considered an ex-officio member of all Associational Committees.

Election to this office shall be completed by two-thirds majority of the Annual Associational Meeting or the Executive Committee. His time of service shall continue until terminated by the request of the Missionary,or by majority vote of the Annual Meetings or of the Executive Committee, at which time a notice of intent shall be given.

ARTICLE VI--DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Moderator of the Association to preside over the Annual sessions, special sessions, and at the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee. As the presiding officer, he shall open the meetings punctually at the appointed time, enforce the rules, preserve the order, and exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage. He shall be elected for a one year term, and he cannot succeed himself after the second consecutive term. He shall appoint in advance the following committees: Enrollment; Time, Place, and Preacher; Resolutions; and any others he may deem advisable or necessary. Each of these committees shall report at the annual meeting for which they are appointed.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence or at his request.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Association in regular and special sessions; to keep accurate records of the quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee; to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the Association; to furnish the churches with the blank letter forms on which to make the Annual reports to the Association; to superintend the printing of the minutes, and to distribute them to the churches as soon after adjournment as possible. For this service he shall be paid annually an amount recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all the funds of the Association and to disburse the same in accordance with the budget of the Association or for the purposes for which the funds were contributed. He shall render to the Association an itemized report of his receipts and disbursements at the first session of the Annual Meeting. In his absence a member of the Finance Committee shall give this report. The Treasurer shall make available through the Associational Newsletter a quarterly financial report including the contributions of each church in the Association. A quarterly report shall be made available at the quarterly meeting of the Executive Committee. For this service he shall be paid annually an amount recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Association.

SECTION 5. The Sunday School Director shall take the initiative in promoting inspirational meetings, study courses, and leadership classes for the churches of the Association; he shall work in cooperation with the denominational Sunday School Agencies in promoting the denominational program; and he will be responsible for coordinating and promoting Vacation Bible School work in conjunction with the Vacation Bible School Director. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

SECTION 6. The Church Training Director shall take the initiative in promoting the regular meetings projected by the State and be available to the churches for help in strengthening the established unions and encourage the organization of new unions in churches within them. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

SECTION 7. The Brotherhood Director shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and be available to the churches to assist in strengthening organizations and programs of existing units. He shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

SECTION 8. The WMU Director shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and she shall be available to the churches to assist in promoting and establishing new Baptist Women and Baptist Women Auxiliary units, and shall assist in strengthening the organizations and programs of existing units. She shall also work with the Nominating Committee in enlisting leadership for her organization.

SECTION 9. The Vacation Bible School Director shall work in conjunction with the Associational Sunday School Director in enlisting and training workers, planning and organizing for the annual Vacation Bible School Clinic.

SECTION 10. The Royal Ambassador Leader shall be responsible for promoting missionary education within our Association and be available to the churches to assist in establishing new Royal Ambassador units and shall assist in strengthening the organization and programs of existing units.

SECTION 11. The Music Director shall take the initiative in promoting the meetings and activities suggested by the State Music leadership and be available to the churches to help in strengthening their music programs. The Music Director will also be responsible for the music at Associational and Executive Committee Meetings. He shall also work with the nominating committee in enlisting leadership for his organization.

SECTION 12. The Pianist will be responsible for playing the piano at all Associational and Executive Committee Meetings.

SECTION 13. It shall be the duty of the Historian to collect and put in some durable form all facts of interest about each of the churches which serve as host to the Association and shall report same to the Association in annual session; a picture of each host church and pastor, if available, will be included in the Associational Minutes. It shall be his duty to report facts of interest about any of the churches of the Association when such a report is requested.

SECTION 14. The Evangelism Chairman will work with the Evangelism Committee in planning, promoting, and coordinating all Evangelistic Activities for the Association.

SECTION 15. The Deacon Director will be an ordained deacon. He will serve as a resource person to the deacons in the local churches of this Association.

ARTICLE VII--COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

SECTION 1. The Committee on Enrollment shall be composed of the Pastor and up to three members of the host church. It shall be the duty of this committee to arrange for the registration of all the messengers and visitors and to make a report to the Association.

SECTION 2. The Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee

to recommend to the Association the Churches where the next session shall meet and the preacher for the annual sermon at the next session. In order to alleviate a hardship on any one church hosting an Associational Meeting, it is suggested that two or possibly three churches jointly host each meeting. Expenses, meeting places, and other arrangements will be coordinated by the churches selected.

SECTION 3. The Committee on Resolutions shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to draw up and present to the Association suitable resolutions of appreciation and expressions of sentiments on any matter chosen by the committee or as directed by the messengers of the session.

SECTION 4. The Committee on Committees shall be composed of five appointed members. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare for approval of the Association the names of persons to serve on the following committees: Nomination, Finance, Ordination of Ministers, Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches, Trustees, Evangelism, Missions, South Mountain Camp, Seminary Extension, Constitution and By-Laws, Youth Council, Building and Grounds, Time-Place-Preacher, and Resolutions. The Committee on Committees shall also designate a chairperson for each committee.

SECTION 5. The Program Committee shall be composed of the general officers of the Association. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare and present a suggested order of business to be adopted by the Association. When adopted, the program becomes the order of business unless changed by common consent or by vote of the body.

SECTION 6. The Committee on Nominations shall be composed of five members. It shall be the duty of the committee to prepare for the Association the names of individuals as nominees for the following offices: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Treasurer, Clerk, Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Music Director, Vacation Bible School Director, R.A. Director, Brotherhood Director, Pianist, Historian, Committee on Committees, Deacon Director, Evangelism Chairman, and Associational State Representatives. It shall also be the duty of this committee to name for the approval of the Association individuals who shall bring to the next annual meeting brief written reports on Public Morals and Temperance, Christian Education, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Hospitals, Homes for the Aging, Children's Homes, Religious Literature, Christian Stewardship/Cooperative Program, Annuity Program, Obituaries, Christian Life Council, and American Bible Society. Nominations by this Committee shall not preclude nominations from the floor. This committee shall make nominations for vacancies that may occur during the year. The Sunday School Director, Church Training Director, Brotherhood Director, Women's Missionary Auxiliary Director, and Music Director shall work with the Nominating Committee in selecting officers for their respective organizations. This committee will also make recommendations of persons to whom the Annual Associational Minutes may be dedicated. (Note: All churches in the Association are encouraged to submit names of those persons who have made outstanding contributions to the work of the Association. This information must be submitted to the Nominating Committee prior to August 15th of each year.)

SECTION 7. The Finance Committee shall be composed of five members. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare and recommend the budget for the Association and to suggest ways and means whereby the budget can be raised by the local churches and to secure the cooperation of the churches in raising the budget. The

Finance Committee will present the proposed budget on the first day of the annual Associational Meeting with discussion and adoption scheduled for the second day. The Finance Committee shall meet prior to the quarterly Executive Committee meeting, and a report shall be prepared for presentation to the quarterly Executive Committee meeting.

SECTION 8. The Committee on Ordination of Ministers shall be composed of three active members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee, when called upon, to examine and/or assist in the ordination of a candidate for the gospel ministry. The Association advocates the following procedure in the ordination of ministers:

A. A candidate seeking ordination to the Baptist ministry should have the confidence, the approval and the commendation of the church of which he is a member. It is the belief that any candidate should have received a call to some specific position in Christian service.

B. The committee, upon prior request of the church of at least two weeks notice, where possible, shall convene an examining council composed of this committee and the pastor of the ordaining church.

C. The council will proceed to examine the candidate concerning his conversion, his call to the ministry, his views of Christian doctrine, his attitude toward the denomination and his educational attainments, and plans. The candidate will then be excused and the council in executive session shall determine whether to recommend his ordination.

D. The council shall then submit its recommendation to the local church, which will arrange the service of ordination, if appropriate.

SECTION 9. The Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to examine all requests made to the Association by groups seeking admission into the Association. This committee shall make its study in accordance with the principles set forth in ARTICLE VIII, and in light of its findings, make on of the following decisions as a recommendation to the Association and/or the Executive Committee at the proper time: (a) that the church requesting admission be accepted under the watchcare of the Association for one year; (b) that action on the request be delayed until the next Annual Meeting of the Association and/or the Executive Committee; (c) that the church requesting admission be accepted into the fellowship of the Association if it has compiled with the principles set forth in ARTICLE VIII; or (d) that the request for membership be rejected.

SECTION 10. The committee of Trustees shall be composed of three members. It shall be the duty of the Trustees to act as legal representatives of the Association in all matters relating to law; to sign all legal documents as directed by the Association; and to exercise the power, under instructions of the Associations or Executive Committee, to hold, buy, sell, and convey property, both real and personal, and to sign all papers necessary for the purchase or conveyance.

SECTION 11. The Missions Committee shall be composed of five members, and this committee shall report to and cooperate with the Executive Committee of the Association. The duties of this committee are: (a) to coordinate and help promote through the organizations and committees all phases and activities of the Associational program; (b) to cooperate with the local churches in making

surveys of areas which, in the opinion of the Missions Committee, are not being adequately served by local Missionary Baptist work, and to promote and develop those new phases of the Missions program; (c) to serve in an advisory capacity to the Director of Missions in all matters pertaining to his work and to serve with him in directing and promoting the mission program of the Association; (d) to provide information and assistance to the Department of State Missions of the North Carolina Baptist Convention in meeting local missionary needs, such as missionary pastor's assistance, promoting missions causes, etc; (e) the Missions Committee shall meet prior to the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association or at any other time necessary to discharge its duties; (f) this committee will also have the following responsibilities relating to the office of Director of Missions:

1. Serve as a search committee for a Director of Missions
2. Recommend to the Executive Committee the name of the nominee
3. Coordinate financial aid matters with Baptist State Convention
4. Serve as liaison between churches and Director of Missions

SECTION 12. The Seminary Extension Committee shall be composed of five members who shall be elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to decide on place and time for the meetings, obtaining qualified teachers and other officers, securing of books and materials, setting up curriculum, providing adequate publicity and any other suggestions as provided by the Seminary Extension Department of the Southern Baptist Convention. This committee shall have its own Secretary/Treasurer and maintain its own checking account; it shall receive and disburse monies as required. Financial reports will also be submitted quarterly to the Associational Executive Committee, and Annual reports forwarded to the Associational Clerk for inclusion in the Book of Reports.

SECTION 13. The Evangelism Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to plan, promote, coordinate, and enlist the churches of our Association in an annual emphasis in Biblical Evangelism--i.e. Lay Witness Training, Evangelism Conferences, simulanteous revivals, Youth led evangelistic efforts, etc.

SECTION 14. The Constitution and By-Laws Committee shall be composed of three members elected annually. It shall be the duty of this committee to review and up-date the Constitution and By-Laws as it becomes necessary. This committee will recommend revisions and amendments concerning the Constitution and By-Laws to the Association as deemed necessary.

SECTION 15. The South Mountain Baptist Camp Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. This committee will serve as a liaison between the Director of the South Mountain Camp and the churches in this Association in promoting the programs sponsored by the Camp. Committee members are encouraged and welcomed to participate in the programs held at South Mountain Baptist Camp.

SECTION 16. The Youth Council Committee shall be composed of five members elected annually. Membership shall be as follows: (a) two Senior High School Students; (b) two College Age Students; and (c) one Single Adult who will act as chairperson for this committee. The purpose of this committee will be to plan, coordinate, and enlist the youth of the churches of our Association for an ongoing program of Spiritual and School ministeries. They are advised to seek the leadership and guidance of the Director of Youth Ministeries of the Baptist State Convention of Raleigh.

SECTION 17. The Associational Council shall be composed of the following:

Director of Missions, Chairman; Moderator; Associational Clerk, Secretary; Music Director; Sunday School Director; Church Training Director; Brotherhood Director; WMU Director; R.A. Director; Finance Committee Chairman; Missions Committee Chairman; Deacon Director; Seminary Extension Committee Chairman; Evangelism Committee Chairman; Youth Council Chairperson. It shall be the duty of this committee to provide for communication between Associational officers, organizations, and committees; study church needs in the Association and needs of the people in the area of the Association; propose long-range and short-range goals for the Association; review and coordinate plans made by the organizations and committees and relate these to the attainment of goals; and prepare the Associational calendar.

SECTION 18. The Building and Grounds Committee shall be composed of four members. It shall be the duty of this committee to inspect and maintain the Associational office building, its contents and grounds.

ARTICLE VIII--PETITIONARY LETTERS AND CONSTITUTION OF CHURCHES

Any group of baptized believers in Christ desiring to organize themselves into a missionary Baptist Church with the purpose of seeking the recognition of and fellowship and cooperate with this Association shall be requested to fulfill the following requirements:

SECTION 1. They shall submit their request for admission to the Director of Missions, or in his absence, to the Moderator, who will review this request and subsequently submit it to the Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches Committee. In addition to this request, the requesting church must also furnish a detailed report of its work since its organization, a copy of the church covenant, and its articles of faith.

SECTION 2. Any church seeking admission into the fellowship of the Association must be under the watchcare of the Association for at least one full year before it can be admitted. During this interim period the church shall be expected to have a part in the support of the causes fostered by the Association, the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, and the Southern Baptist Convention.

SECTION 3. The findings of the Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches will be reported at the Annual Associational meeting or at the Executive Committee Meeting with a recommendation in accordance with ARTICLE VII, Section 9.

SECTION 4. If the church is accepted under the watchcare of the Association, the Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches will recommend at the end of that year the church be accepted into full fellowship provided that an examination of that year's work done and a study of the cooperative spirit of that church proves to be in accordance with the principles of the churches of the Association. A two-thirds majority vote of the messengers/Executive Committee members present shall be needed for such action to be completed.

ARTICLE IX--ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS

SECTION 1. The purpose of the Director of Missions shall be to promote unity and growth among the churches of the South Mountain Baptist Association. He will seek to enlist all of the churches into full cooperation with the South Mountain Baptist Association, N.C. Baptist State Convention, and Southern Baptist Convention and their agencies in the work of missions, evangelism, Christian Education, and Social Services.

SECTION 2. The Director of Missions will be nominated by the Missions Committee and elected by the Executive Committee or the Association; a two-thirds majority vote is required from those present.

SECTION 3. The Director of Missions will be responsible to the Association through the Missions Committee and the Executive Committee for the faithful performance of his duties.

ARTICLE X--DENOMINATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The Association will elect annually representatives for Stewardship/Cooperative Program, Baptist Children's Homes, Baptist Hospital, Biblical Recorder, Homes for the Aging, Annuity, and Christian Life Council, and other such denominational workers as the Association may desire. It shall be the duty of these representatives to call attention to and promote the ministry of these institutions or agencies within the Association and bring an annual report of these ministries to the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE XI--AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting provided two-thirds of the members present concur; such amendments must be presented on the first day of the annual meeting. Action on such amendments shall be deferred until the second day of the annual meeting. It is suggested that all changes and recommendations of amendments be previously submitted to the Constitution and By-Laws Committee for their careful consideration; however any messenger has the right to submit proposed changes in accordance with this article.

BY-LAWS

1. All Associational meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. "Roberts' Rules of Order" shall be used as the parliamentary to all Associational meetings.
3. All Associational officers shall exercise authority over their departments and shall give a financial accounting for monies expended.
4. Election and installation of officers shall take place on the last day of the annual Associational meeting, and these officers shall be responsible for planning, coordinating, and providing leadership for the coming Associational year.

PROCEEDINGS

SEVENTIETH SESSION
SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Theme: Our Challenge....to Grow Stronger Churches

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Messengers and visitors gathered in the sanctuary of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church for the annual Associational meeting as Sue Burton presented a prelude of musical selections.

1. Thomas Berry, Moderator, sounded the gavel and called the first session to order.
2. The congregation joined in singing the hymn "Jesus Calls Us," with Rev. Dean Coffey leading and Sue Burton as pianist.
3. Devotional thoughts based on scripture reading from James and appropriate remarks and prayer were presented by Rev. James Bumgarner, pastor of St. John's.
4. Rev. Berry spoke words of welcome to all those present and introduced two visitors: Mr. Clyde Morris, Representative of Baptist Children's Homes and Rev. James Lambert, Area Missionary for Western North Carolina, Baptist State Convention.
5. After distribution of programs and time for preview, Lucille Upton, Clerk, moved the adoption of the program as prepared by the committee as the agenda for the day's proceedings. A second and a favorable vote of acceptance gave us the program as a guide for activities with the privilege to alter the program as the moderator feels the necessity.
6. The moderator then named the Enrollment and Resolutions Committees and presented the request that Rev. Charles McDowell and Rev. Stuart Johnson act as parliamentarians. The group voted to accept his proposals.
7. A motion was made for the adoption of all the reports from State Agencies and Institutions so as to conserve time for a video-tape presentation prepared by the Baptist State Convention. The second and a favorable vote allowed changes to be made so that the presentation was one continuous viewing.
8. Rev. Joe Edwards then presented Rev. James Lambert who set up the video program. This presentation entitled "Annual Report to the Associations, 1980" was enjoyable and profitable as it introduced us to agency heads and informed us of activities carried on by our Baptist State Convention. At the conclusion, comments by Rev. Lambert told us of the uses now being made of video-tape presentations and about training tapes on various phases of church programs which were available on free loan.
9. Special musical selections entitled "Come Morning," "The Ground is Level," and "One Day at a Time" were presented by Glenda Hoyle and Jerry Buff.
10. The speaker for the afternoon program was Rev. Cline Borders, Director of Missions in the Kings Mountain Association. He was introduced by Rev. Joe Edwards and captivated the audience with his message presenting the story of the healing of Jairus' daughter and the healing of the woman who touched Jesus as found in Mark 5. He emphasized the points of need, faith, healing, and total commitment as he urged churches to do what God expected them to do. He challenged us with the question of whether we have what it takes to get through and touch Jesus and let Him touch us.

11. With Dean Coffey leading and Sue Burton as accompanist, the group joined in singing "Blessed Assurance."
12. Rev. Ralph Gouge, host pastor, acknowledged Rev. Clyde Houston and Laurel Haven as co-hosts and gave directions for the serving of the evening meal.
13. The benediction/blessing was then given by Rev. Houston.
14. A most bountiful and delicious meal was enjoyed by all and an hour of good Christian fellowship followed the dinner.

THURSDAY EVENING

15. To the sound of quiet and appropriate music by Sue Burton, the group re-assembled for the evening session of the South Mountain Baptist Association, with Dean Coffey, Vice Moderator, presiding.
16. The hymn "The Church's One Foundation" was led by Robert Berry and Sue Burton and was sung by the congregation.
17. Reading from 1 Cor. 3:9-10, Rev. Gerald Ward, pastor of Bible Gospel Baptist Church, gave devotional thoughts and concluded with prayer.
18. Rev. Ralph Gouge, pastor of Mr. Hebron, extended a warm and cordial welcome to all those in attendance.
19. Rev. Dean Coffey recognized any visitors to the Associational meeting.
20. In recognizing new or transferred pastors, Rev. Joe Edwards asked them and their wives to come to the front and introduce themselves. Those so recognized were Rev. and Mrs. Robert Ford from Zoar to Mt. Vernon, and Rev. Ernest Oliver newly ordained and serving as pastor of Mull's Chapel.
21. A report of the Enrollment Committee revealed that we had 155 in attendance--125 messengers and 30 visitors.
22. A special award was presented to Rev. Gouge and Mt. Hebron in recognition of the largest number of baptisms (21) during the year. We were pleased to note an overall increase in baptisms--from 141 to 215.
23. The treasurer's report, prepared and submitted by Doris Upton, was accepted upon her recommendation for adoption and a second.
24. Delbert Walker called attention to the proposed budget as submitted by the Finance Committee. Messengers were asked to review the budget figures and action would be taken on the second day. He offered to answer any questions that might arise. A proposal coming from the committee was that each church consider the possibility of contributing at least four percent (4%) of their annual income to Associational missions. Due to rising costs of labor, paper and equipment, the committee recommended that churches contribute $2.00 per copy for the requested number of minutes.
25. As Chairman, T. A. Lineberger reported that the Committee on Petitionary Letters and Constitution of Churches had met with Bible Gospel Baptist Church and reviewed their request to come under the watch-care of the Association. The Executive Committee had voted to receive them in April, 1980, and Rev. Lineberger asked that the Associational messengers give an official welcome into the fellowship of churches to this pastor and congregation.
26. The report of the Executive Committee by Lucille Upton was accepted upon the move for adoption, a second, and a vote of acceptance by the delegate assembly.
27. T. A. Lineberger gave publicity to the work of the Task Force for Prayer by asking that members of the Association and representatives in attendance pray for the State Convention during its upcoming sessions. Every Association is asked to organize so that

there will be continuous prayer sessions throughout the Convention and that delegates spend some time in the convention prayer room. A workshop for the Task Force is scheduled for April 23-26.
28. As moderator, Thomas Berry gave an explanation of the recent proposal that an offering be taken at each concluding session to help cover expenses incurred for the meetings.
29. During the singing of the hymn "Amazing Grace," the ushers of Mt. Hebron received an offering.
30. The Mt. Hebron choir favored us with several beautiful hymns--"Jesus Has Been So Good to Me" and "Jesus is Great and Wonderful."
31. A request was made for copies of minutes for the years 1913, 1914, 1919, 1928, and 1946. These annuals are needed to complete our file and, if they are not donated, persons having these copies are asked to lend them to the Association so that duplicates can be made and become a part of our permanent Associational record. Your cooperation will be appreciated.
32. Basing his remarks on the scripture Proverbs 29:18, the Moderator's Address was delivered by Thomas Berry. His emphasis on the need for vision lest the people perish stirred our hearts as Thomas stressed the importance of the local church in maintaining the Association, the State Convention, and the Southern Baptist Convention. His emphasis was placed on Education, Enthusiasm, and Endeavor.
33. As a part of his report on activities during the year, Rev. Joe Edwards moved the adoption of his formally submitted report and it was accepted. He then showed a slide presentation of buildings, congregations and pastors of all Associational churches. This viewing was enjoyable and inspiring.
34. Rev. Berry expressed appreciation to the host pastors and churches for their hospitality. He made several announcements about Friday's meetings and urged messengers and visitors to attend the sessions.
35. Attention was again directed to the Resolutions Committee and messengers were urged to contact them for expressions of concern and appreciation.
36. The meeting was concluded with Robert Berry pronouncing the benediction.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON
Abee's Chapel

Theme: Our Challenge....to Grow Stronger Churches
37. As messengers and visitors assembled in the sanctuary of Abee's Chapel, their hearts and minds were prepared for a reverent and worshipful session by a musical prelude by Sue Burton. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Rev. Dean Coffey, Vice Moderator.
38. The group joined in the opening hymn "Standing on the Promises" with Dean Coffey leading and Sue Burton at the piano.
39. Rev. Terrill Crump, pastor of Olive Grove, read scripture verses from John 15 for our devotional thoughts and concluded with prayer.
40. A warm and sincere welcome was extended by Rev. Coffey to all those present.
41. Among visitors recognized by the acting moderator was Charles Richardson from Raleigh, representing the Biblical Recorder.
42. Rev. Coffey expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve as presiding officer for the afternoon session and having the privilege of serving as Vice Moderator during the year. He had

only words of praise for his association with Joe and Louise Edwards.
43. Rev. Ralph Gouge prepared and submitted the report on Religious Literature and upon his recommendation for adoption, the group voted to accept it.
44. Charles Richardson was introduced and spoke concerning the Biblical Recorder and its importance in keeping Baptists informed concerning State and Convention programs and priorities. He urged continued and enlarged subscription programs for all churches.
45. In moving for the adoption of his report on Evangelism, Rev. Joe Forbes again voiced gratitude for the increase (74) in the number of baptisms. His report was favorably accepted.
46. Mrs. Louise Edwards moved the adoption of her Sunday School report and the group voted to accept it as presented. To emphasize the importance of this phase of our church program, she recognized and awarded certificates to three churches: Corinth for the largest number in new enrollment, Mt. Hebron for the largest increase in average attendance, and Laurel Haven for the largest percentage of enrollment and attendance.
47. The Vacation Bible School report was given by Mrs. Gail Ford and accepted as she moved its adoption. She recognized both Corinth and Mt. Hebron for having an enrollment of more than 150 in VBS. She also emphasized the importance of adult classes and Rev. Thomas Berry reiterated her words of encouragement citing his church and its adult class as an inspiration to all other congregations.
48. Rev. Cecil Buff presented the report on the Christian Life Council and upon his motion for adoption, a second and a favorable vote, it was accepted. He then spoke to his report quoting alarming statistics concerning deaths due to starvation and hunder-related diseases. He urged increased support by all churches for this worthwhile world relief project.
49. During the Business Session, publicity was given to the Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade being planned for 1982 with three area divisions for North Carolina: Coastal, Piedmont, and Mountain. Meetings are being planned in March and April of that year. All churches in an area were urged to have their revivals at the same time, the aim being to present the common emphasis: the presentation of Christ (Involvement); demonstration of oneness; the recruitment and mobilization of all members. Churches were challenged to work toward these goals but no commitment was asked.
50. Rev. Robert Ford gave the report of the Missions Committee and moved its adoption. A second and favorable vote was evidence of acceptance. He urged involvement and training in promoting literac workshops.
51. In addition to presenting and moving adoption for the Church Training report, Jerry Buff publicized the M Night program scheduled for November 24 at Mull's Chapel with Rev. Stuart Johnson as speaker. He reminded us that Carswell Memorial had won the banner for attendance and challenged all churches to try to win this award. His report was accepted.
52. The report on the Associational Council was given by Rev. Edwards who expressed appreciation to the members for their services and challenged us to greater effort and accomplishment through Strategy Planning. His move for adoption was seconded and the report was accepted.
53. In the absence of Lloyd Workman, Dean Coffey called attention to the report of the Building and Grounds Committee and the report was accepted by vote of the assembly.

54. A highlight of the program was the presentation of two numbers entitled "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" and "The Way, the Truth, and the Life" by our Associational Youth Choir. The group, under the direction of Karen Hull, Reba Houser, and Sue Burton, is to be commended for its beautiful music.
55. The message of the third session was brought by Rev. Ralph Gouge. Using Luke 24:13-35 as the scriptural basis for his remarks, he cited the revelation of the risen Lord to the men on the road to Emmaus to refute the belief of some that God is dead. His challenge to all Christians was to do something to reveal to the world that God is alive.
56. Rev. Buren Hastings, host pastor, was recognized and gave instructions concerning the serving of the evening meal and rest conveniences. He then dismissed the group with the benediction/blessing.
57. A delicious and bountiful meal was served outdoors in a beautiful natural setting and everyone enjoyed the food and fellowship provided by Abee's Chapel.

FRIDAY EVENING

58. As the 7:00 o'clock hour drew near, Sue Burton again offered a variety of musical presentations as delegates and visitors assembled for the final session of the Associational meetings.
59. Thomas Berry called the assembly to order and expressed appreciation to Robert Berry and Sue for their contribution through music to each session.
60. The group, under their leadership, joined in the singing of the hymn "Give of Your Best."
61. Reading Matthew 28:19-20, Rev. Ernest Oliver brought devotional thoughts which he concluded with prayer.
62. Words of warm and cordial welcome were expressed by Rev. Buren Hastings. He proceeded to give the report of the Enrollment Committee stating that there was an attendance of 158--99 messengers and 59 visitors representing 22 churches.
63. The only visitor was the speaker of the evening whose introduction was withheld until later.
64. Presenting his report on Seminary Extension, Rev. Charles McDowell moved for acceptance and the group approved. In speaking to his report, Rev. McDowell expressed gratitude for State financial support for the program and announced that course credit would be accepted at Gardner-Webb.
65. Mrs. Frances Melton moved adoption, received a second, and a favorable vote for the acceptance of her W.M.U. report. She spoke to her report and challenged us with the new goals set for W.M.U. "10,000 more by Nov. 4."
66. Concerning the Ordination of Ministers, Rev. Ralph Gouge moved adoption and had his report accepted. The main function of the committee for the year was the examination and recommendation of Rev. Ernest Oliver for ordination. The service was held at Pisgah and he is now pastor of Mull's Chapel.
67. Rev. Stuart Johnson presented the report of the South Mountain Baptist Camp. When the report had been accepted, T. A. Lineberger, camp director, spoke briefly emphasizing the scriptural basis for praying and voicing hopes for camp improvements in this 25th anniversary year.
68. The budget was brought up and briefly explained by Delbert Walker. Having copies from the previous day, the delegates had been asked to review and consider proposals and be ready to act.

This fore-knowledge led to acceptance of the financial report.
69. Serving as chairperson, Doris Upton gave the report of the Committee on Committees, and the report was accepted. She expressed appreciation for services of former members and urged commitment from those accepting appointment for the current year. She urged churches to submit names of capable and willing members to facilitate future appointments.
70. The Resolutions Committee report was presented by Rev. Harold Ashe who voiced the appreciations of all delegates to the officers, host churches, and pastors. The group voted to accept the report.
71. Mrs. Gail Ford presented the report of the Youth Council which the assembly accepted. A youth testimony was given by Harvey McDowell. Both the report and the speaker gave evidence of the importance of the youth program in our Association.
72. In the absence of Mrs. Verona McNeilly, Thomas Berry called attention to the report of the Time, Place and Preacher Committee and secured the adoption of the report by delegate vote. He noted the addition of host churches for 1985--Berea and Mt. Vernon--thus establishing a five-year calendar for Associational meetings.
73. The group then joined in the singing of the hymn "He Lives" led by Robert Berry. After a prayer by Rev. Harold Kanupp the ushers received the evening offering during the hymn.
74. Two items considered during the miscellaneous business session were the naming of Stuart Johnson as Associational representative to the Ministerial Steering Committee and the proposal by T. A. Lineberger that, during the current year, three or four prayer conferences be held in various areas of the Association with churches extending invitations to the conferences to be held in their buildings.
75. The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Charlie Townsend and accepted by the assembly. He expressed appreciation to past officers and urged support and cooperation with newly elected officials. The formal installation was conducted by Rev. Joe Edwards with Rev. Charlie McDowell receiving the gavel from Thomas Berry, retiring moderator. Rev. Edwards then announced the dedication of the year's annual to Rev. Harold Dellinger. The remarks of Rev. Dellinger touched the hearts of all as he gratefully but humbly accepted the honor.
76. The memorial tribute prepared by Lucille Upton was given by Mrs. Louise Edwards. After listing the members lost by death during the year a moment of quiet meditation was concluded by the memorial prayer by Rev. Robert Ford.
77. Special music by the Abee's Chapel choir with piano and organ accompaniment was most enjoyable. Their selections included "On the Sea of Life" and "While the Ages Roll On" and were spiritually inspiring.
78. Rev. Thomas Berry then introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. Kenneth Ridings, who serves as pastor of Grassy Branch Baptist Church and a professor at Fruitland Bible Institute.
79. The message of Rev. Ridings was a most inspirational climax to two days of good meetings and good fellowship. Reading from Rev. 2:8-11 he challenged us with the consequences of Christian Commitment. He divided these consequences into categories:

(a) Costs involving pressure, poverty, and persecution
(b) Comforts involving permanency of God, power, perception, pronouncement and promises.

We are most grateful to Rev. Ridings for such a stirring message which we trust will be long remembered by each one who heard.

80. The meeting was concluded with the prayer of benediction by Rev. Buren Hastings. Delegates and visitors went away on a high spiritual plane which we hope will be reflected in the progress of the new year's program in each of our churches.

REPORTS

ASSOCIATIONAL COUNCIL

The Associational Council has met several times this past year for planning the calendar of events for our Association. The council has also met on different occasions to do Strategy Planning. We were fortunate to have Rev. George Shore, Director of Associational Development of the N.C. Baptist State Convention, to challenge us as well as furnish us some guidelines on Strategy Planning. Subsequent meetings have been held, and data has been gathered by committee members and steering committee members. Within the next few weeks we plan to consolidate these statistics and determine just what the needs are in our Associational area. Rev. Shore has agreed to return to our Association to lead our council in digesting this data. We will keep both the Executive Committee and the Association informed of our work.

I am grateful to everyone who has spent so many hours gathering date and for the time spent in our council meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe R. Edwards, Chairman

BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

The Building and Grounds Committee has met several times during the past year.

We have tried to evaluate the needs of our building and grounds. Our office building was in direneed of some furniture and equipment. Two desks, bookcases, two folding tables, desk chair, overhead projector, copier have been given to the Association as memorials. The couch cushions have also been recovered for the office.

We also treated the building for termites and installed two foundation airvents and two pieces of fiber glass tin for ventilation and light.

An immediate problem consisting of a leaking roof will soon be corrected.

It is anticipated that our carpet will need to be steam-cleaned due to leakage problems and the office drapes replaced.

Respectfully submitted,
Loyd Workman, Chairman

CHRISTIAN LIFE COUNCIL

The Christian Life Council is "helping changed people to change the world." One of the efforts of the Council is World Hunger.

Eleven (possibly more) churches in our association observed World Hunger Day--Zion Hill, Zoar, Wilkies Grove, Walkers Chapel, Pisgah, Mt. Zion, Philadelphia, Hildebran View, Carswell Memorial, Tabernacle, and Corinth. (Estimated total given $2,500.00.)

We hope every church will observe World Hunger Day in this current associational year. Ten million people--mostly children--will die of starvation and hunger related diseases this year. The need is so great.

Respectively submitted,
Cecil Buff

CHURCH TRAINING REPORT

In II Timothy 2:15, it speaks of studying to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed.

Our Church Training program went very well this year, except that the attendance dropped a little this year. We had a real good "M" night with 93 in attendance. Carswell Memorial had a high attendance of 33 to win the banner.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Buff
Director

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT 1980/81

	PHONE NO.
NOMINATING COMMITTEE	
Charlie Townsend, Chairman	874-0840
Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry	397-3878
Eugene McNeilly	397-3739
Mrs. Aileen Berry	538-8551
Buland Short	538-8265
FINANCE COMMITTEE	
Delbert Walker, Chairman	538-9288
Jerry Buff	538-9596
Rev. Dean Coffey	538-9638
Mrs. Kathy Oliver	874-0051
Mrs. Bernice Gouge	397-3748
ORDINATION OF MINISTERS	
Rev. Ralph Gouge, Chairman	397-3748
Rev. Buren Hastings	879-8464
Rev. Clyde Houston	397-3984
PETITIONARY LETTERS AND CONSTITUTION OF CHURCHES	
Rev. T. A. Lineberger, Chairman	437-8308
Vester Shull	276-2623
Warren Yancy	538-9630
TRUSTEES	
Edd Keller, Chairman	324-5838
Max Cook	538-9822
Don Elliott	538-7414
EVANGELISM COMMITTEE	
Rev. Thomas Berry, Chairman	538-8551
Eugene Sherrill	789-8877
Rev. Gerald Ward	322-2463
Mrs. Betty McDowell	397-6967
Mrs. Jewell Elliott	538-7414

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. Robert Ford, Chairman	276-1744
Mrs. Verona McNeilly	397-3739
Mrs. Frances Melton	397-6245
Rev. Dean Coffey	538-9638
Rev. Keith Starnes	874-0528

SOUTH MOUNTAIN CAMP COMMITTEE

Rev. Stuart Johnson, Chairman	874-0051
Horace Sain	462-2165
Rev. Charles McDowell	397-6967
Henry Carswell	437-7731

SEMINARY EXTENSION COMMITTEE

Rev. Charles McDowell, Chairman	397-6967
Don Brittain	397-6064
Mrs. Linda Ward	322-2463
Mrs. Frances Melton	397-6245

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Rev. Joe Forbes, Chairman	538-9786
Miss Doris Upton	276-2114
Rev. Robert Ford	276-1744

YOUTH COUNCIL

Mrs. Gail Ford, Interim Chairperson	276-1744
Miss Brenda Hamby	538-9732
Miss Sue Burton	276-2029
Harvey McDowell	397-5047
Jody Gouge	397-6362

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Loyd Workman, Chairman	276-2203
Edward McCurry	(no phone)
Martin Ayers	879-8020
Henry Carswell	437-7731

TIME, PLACE, PREACHER COMMITTEE

Mrs. Verona McNeilly, Chairperson	397-3739
Rev. Buddy Oliver	874-0051
Ernest Rhoney	874-0627
Hazel Walker	538-9915

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. Harold Ashe, Chairman	397-6914
Mrs. Bernice Gouge	397-6362
Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry	397-3878
Rev. Clyde Houston	397-3984

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Upton, Chairperson

COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION REPORT

The Committee, consisting of Joe Edwards, Clyde Houston, Thomas Berry, Dean Coffey, and Ralph Gouge, met on June 5th, 1980 to examine Ernest R. (Buddy) Oliver, Jr. in preparation for his ordination as an ordained minister of the Gospel. The Committee was satisfied with the answers to their questions concerning his doctrinal beliefs on the Bible as the inspired Word of God, his own conversion experience, his call to the ministry, and his belief as a Missionary Baptist.

On July 13, 1980 an impressive service of ordination was held at Pisgah Baptist Church ordaining Buddy into the ministry. He now serves as full-time pastor of Mull's Chapel Baptist Church.

We praise God for calling young men into His work of preaching the Word and shepherding the flock.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph P. Gouge, Chairman

DIRECTOR OF MISSIONS REPORT

It has certainly been an honor and a priviledge for me to have served as your Director of Missions for the past two years. We as an Association, have moved forward together in many areas, however, we still have a long way to go. The Bold Missions Thrust is upon us, and we must not put down our guard if we are to attain our goals of doubling our baptisms, doubling our giving to the Cooperative Program, N.C. Missions offering, Lottie Moon, Annie Armstrong, and Associational Missions, as well as taking the Gospel of Jesus Christ to every man, woman, boy, and girl by the year 2000. Jesus lived missions and He taught missions; how can we do otherwise?

I am grateful to our Executive Committee members, Associational Officers, all Associational Committee members, pastors, and church members for all the contributions made to your Association. It has been my pleasure serving as your co-laborer. Without your dedication and commitment there would have been no accomplishments for our Lord. I pray that we will continue to work together in a spirit of love and harmony, and that great things will be accomplished for Christ in the South Mountain Association.

A breakdown of activities for the past year is as follows:

CHURCHES VISITED.....60
SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS IN CHURCHES.....19
SUPPLY PASTOR (Mt. Vernon Dec. 2-Feb. 3)
(Faith Olive July 16-Aug. 3).....2
MET WITH PASTOR SELECTION COMMITTEES.....5
DENOMINATIONAL CAUSES PRESENTED TO PASTORS/CHURCHES.....2
FUNERALS CONDUCTED OR ATTENDED.....7
WEDDINGS CONDUCTED.....2
PERSONAL VISITS/CONFERENCES WITH PASTORS AT HOME/OFFICE.....69
OTHER VISITS/CONFERENCES AT OFFICE.....15
COMMITTEE MEETINGS/CONFERENCES CONDUCTED OR ATTENDED
WITHIN ASSOCIATION.....57
SPECIAL MEETINGS IN ASSOCIATION IN WHICH I ASSISTED
OR ATTENDED.....9
MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS PUBLISHED.....(per month)33¢
MILES TRAVELED, INCLUDING TO AND FROM WORK.....(approx.)25,000
HOSPITAL VISITS.....34

SPECIAL MEETINGS CONDUCTED/ATTENDED OUTSIDE ASSOCIATION.....22

World Missions Conference Speaker, N.E. Georgia
April 27-May 4
ASSIST Sunday School Team Meeting, Ridgecrest
April 17-20
Gardner-Webb Alumni Meeting
April 80
Gardner-Webb Ministerial Board of Associates
April
Associational Leadership Meeting, Eastside Church Shelby
Brotherhood Speaker, Lawndale Church
Kay Leadership Conference, Ridgecrest
May 12-14
N.C. Foundation Meeting, Morganton
General Board Meeting, Gardner-Webb College
General Board Meeting, Raleigh, N.C.
Director of Missions Meeting, St. Louis, Mo.
June 8-9
SBC Meeting, St. Louis
June 10-12
Director of Missions Meeting, Wingate College
June 23-25
N.C. Baptist State Convention
November 79
Speaker at Second Baptist Church, Shelby, Brotherhood Breakfast
Speaker at Hickory Army Reserve Worship Service
Director of Missions Meeting, Boone
January 80
Joint Crusade Meeting, Hickory
April 80
Home Missions Week, Ridgecrest
August 9-14
Gardner-Webb Ministerial Board of Associates Nominating Comm.
September 80
Gardner-Webb Ministerial Board of Associates
September 80
Region 8 Director of Missions Meeting, Hickory Served as Convener

I would also like to express my appreciation to everyone who made it possible for my wife and me to go to the Holy Land this past year. It was a dream come true. Thank you so very much.

Our World Missions Conference was a great success in our Association. The kick-off rally was attended by approximately 250 people. Church folks as well as pastors have responded most favorably to this conference. Thanks to everyone who worked so diligently in the planning and implementing of this conference.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joe R. Edwards, D.O.M.

EVANGELISM REPORT

All Baptists are urged to participate in the Joint Statewide Evangelistic Crusade in 1982. The theme will be "Here's Hope". Interpretation Meetings will be scheduled across the state to share suggested plans and basic thrusts for the 1982 Joint Crusade effort, which is co-sponsored by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the General Baptist State Convention. The Simultaneous Revival dates for the three areas of our state are: Coastal--March 14-28; Piedmont--April 4-18; and Mountain--April 25-May 9, 1982. Every church is encouraged to plan a revival meeting during one of these suggested dates. Let us pray daily that every unsaved person in North Carolina will have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Christ by the end of 1982.

Fifty-four associations have now involved their churches in a Bold Evangelism Clinic, encouraging church leaders to plan specific, on-going programs of evangelism in the local church using the notebook, Bold Evangelism through the Local Church. Every church is urged to enlist a Local Task Force on Evangelism to involve more members in direct witnessing to unsaved persons.

New materials on Lay Evangelism Schools, prepared by the Evangelism Section of the Home Missions Board, are now available for use by our churches. The Lay Evangelism School is a one-week effort to train youth and adults to become more effective witnesses for Christ to the lost.

Thousands of youth were involved in the 10th Statewide Youth Evangelism Conference at Greensboro Coliseum on Friday, August 15th, 1980. A Discipleship Seminar was held during the afternoon session at Immanuel Church. We thank God for the hundreds of youth who have made various decisions for Christ during this ten year period.

The 35th Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held in Asheville during February 2-3, 1981.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Forbes, Chairman

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

By virtue of election to various positions in the Association, the officers seriously entered into the task of doing the Lord's work in a most beneficial and efficient manner. Depending upon God for leadership and understanding, the Association has progressed and we feel the interests of the entire body has been given careful consideration. The number of churches participating and the attendance has increased--this is perhaps due to the meetings being held in different locations. Your confidence and support during the year is appreciated and we were inspired to try harder to keep you informed and involved in all Associational activities. God's work required our best and we need to stop and reflect on the year's achievements and decide whether or not each of us met His standards. We must remember that our support and involvement determines the strength and accomplishments of our Association and that your help is needed and appreciated.

The financial support of the churches made it possible for all indebtedness to be removed and some renovation and improvements could be made in the Associational office. As the program expands additional funds are required, and on the basis of some new ventures, the finance committee enlarged our proposed budget for the year.

All advances do not involve money--much work and dedication make possible expanded and improved programs. Rev. Joe Edwards, Missions Director, attended a workshop in Atlanta on Strategy Planning. He recommended a study and review of the Constitution with planning in progressive stages to help the Association meet its goals and purposes. A committee has been organized and is now at work.

Through periodic reporting, the leaders of all phases of our work kept us informed and challenged to greater effort and achievement. Many of them attended, and carried with them a group of workers, several Workshops planned and sponsored by the Baptist State Convention to more closely ally our efforts with denominational goals.

Again this year it was necessary to petition the Baptist State Convention for financial aid to supplement the Associational program. The expressed desire of all officers is that we can increase our gifts by pledging a percentage of all church receipts to support the work and thus become self-sufficient. This proposal and ultimate goal deserves serious consideration by each congregation.

During the year the churches took offerings to raise money to finance a trip to the Holy Land for Rev. Joe Edwards. He returned with slides and information which he willingly shared with any church requesting a presentation.

Rev. Thomas Berry the new moderator began his term of office as presiding officer at the meeting of the Executive Committee in January. A schedule was adopted for the remainder of the year:

April 15 at 7:30 at Laurel Haven
July 15 at 7:30 at Oak Ridge
October 7 at 7:30 at Beulah

He shared information concerning planned meetings to be held for pastors and Associational workers at Ridgecrest. We were fortunate to have representatives attend and then share with us the information they received. We feel that having representation at such meetings strengthens ties with our state and convention programs.

It became necessary to make several changes during the year in some committee appointees. These were recommended and executed by the Committee on Committees and we operated with a full slate of officers this year. Department heads or committee chairmen were requested to present a budget request for their special work. These proposals would serve as guides to the Finance Committee in drawing up a budget for the up-coming year.

Bible Gospel Church, which has been under the watch care of the Association, was recommended for acceptance into the Association and, by vote of the executive committee, was officially welcomed into the fellowship of churches.

During the year we were favored with special music by the Berea and Zion Hill choirs. Their presentations added to the enjoyment of the business sessions and we express gratitude for their contribution.

A special gesture of hospitality was shown the Executive Committee members and representatives when Laurel Haven served refreshments at the conclusion of the meeting. We thank them sincerely.

The major project of our Associational year was the sponsoring of the World Missions Conference scheduled Sept. 7-14 with 16 churches participating. We had 9 Foreign, Home and State Missionaries visit the various churches and share their experiences with us. This was a most delightful and revealing experience aimed at

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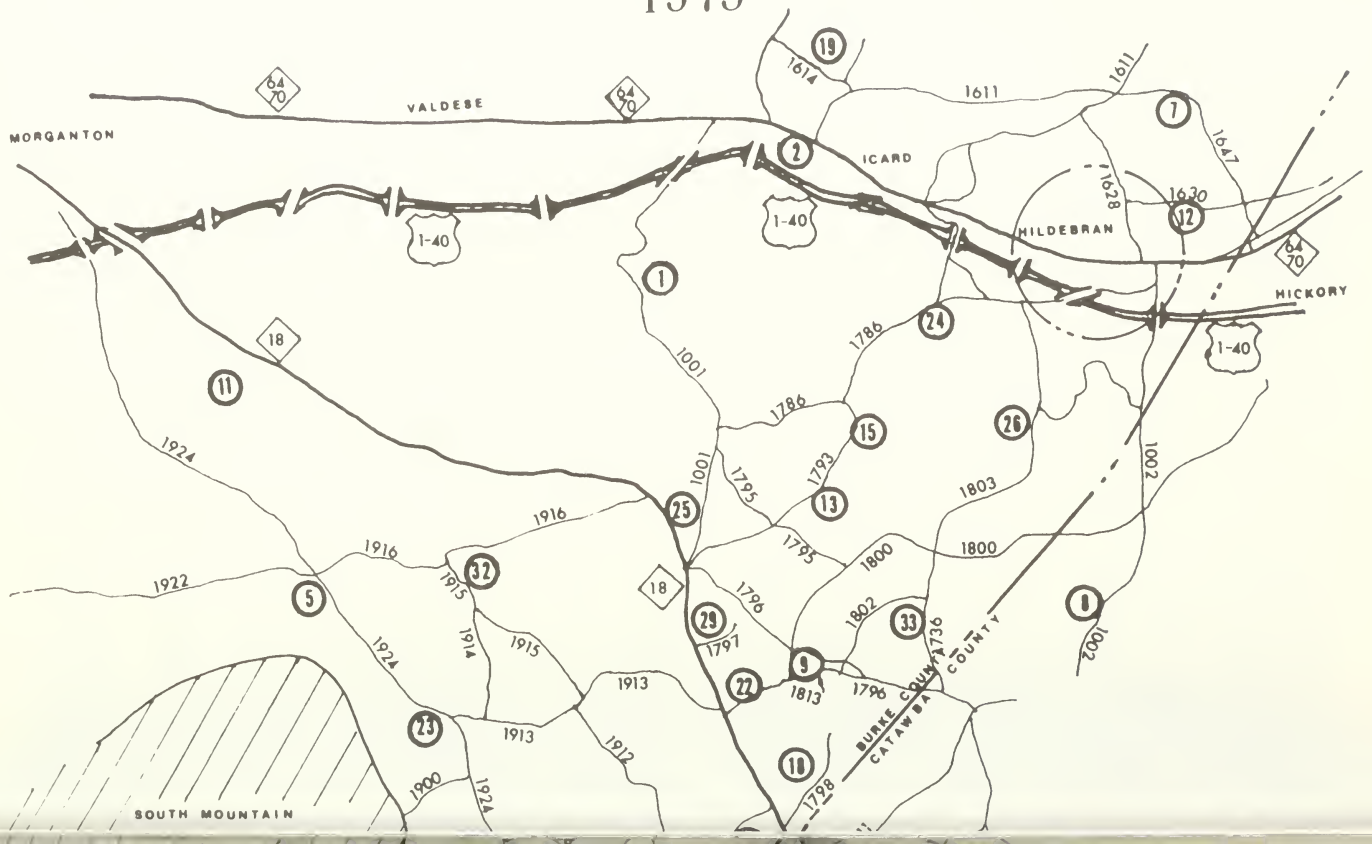

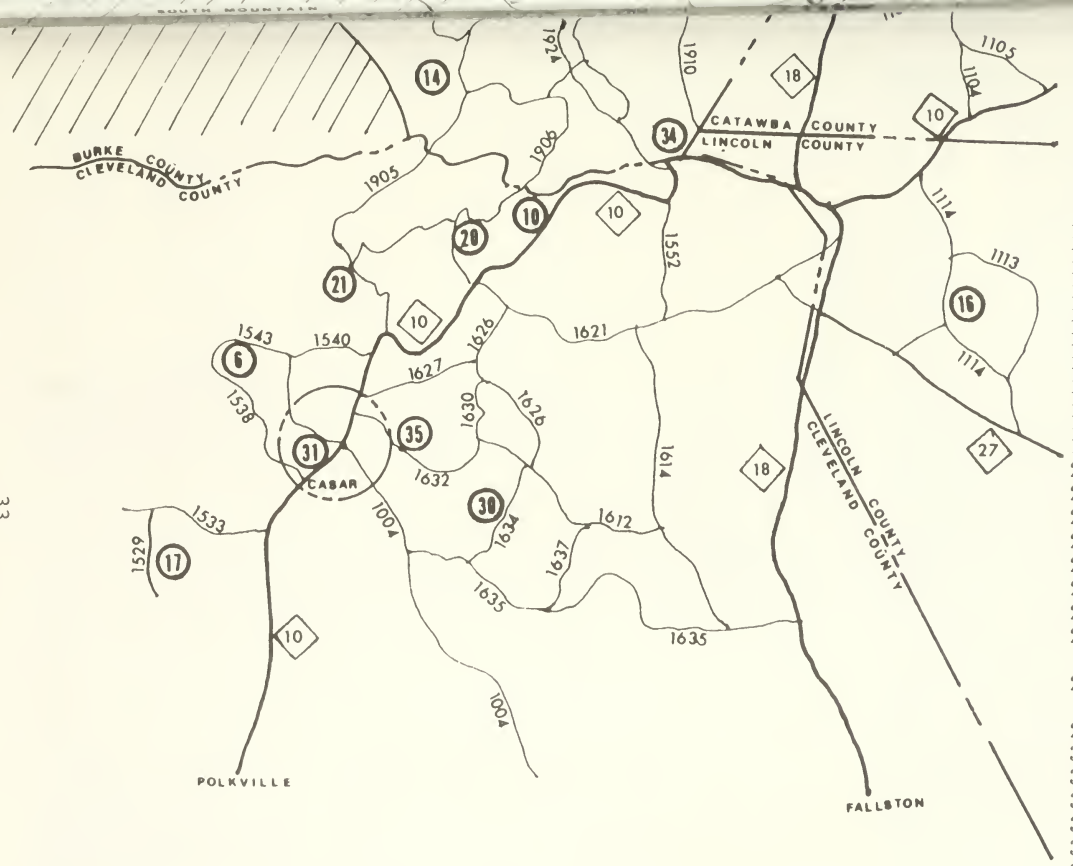

1. ABEE'S CHAPEL
2. BEREA
3. BEULAH
4. BIBLE GOSPEL BAPTIST
5. CARSWELL MEMORIAL
6. CORINTH
7. DROWNING CREEK
8. FAITH OLIVE
9. HILDEBRAN VIEW
10. HOYLE MEMORIAL
11. LAUREL HAVEN
12. MIDWAY
13. MT. CALVARY
14. MT. GILEAD
15. MT. HEBRON
16. MT. VERNON
17. MT. ZION
18. MULL'S CHAPEL
19. OAK RIDGE
20. OLIVE GROVE
21. PISGAH
22. PHILADELPHIA
23. PLEASANT GROVE
24. SHOUP'S GROVE
25. SMART'S GROVE
26. SOUTH FORK
27. SOUTH MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICE
28. SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CAMP
29. ST. JOHN'S
30. ST. PAUL
31. TABERNACLE
32. WALKER'S CHAPEL
33. WILKIE'S GROVE
34. ZION HILL
35. ZOAR

awakening and alerting us to world conditions and the possibilities for us to become involved in meeting mission needs. The rally on Sept. 6 at Mt. Hebron was the beginning of enthusiastic support by young and old alike. All who availed themselves of the opportunity to hear were certainly not disappointed but rather surprised at the work being done and still needing to be done. We are most grateful and appreciative of all those who contributed in any way to the success of the conference.

A major change to be noted in your minutes for another year will be the omission of prepared reports by State agencies. These will be printed in the book of reports, with additional copies being distributed and preserved for future reference. This change is aimed at reducing expenses in printing and duplicating materials.

Several churches experienced changes in securing pastors or having been served by interim pastors. Rev. Buddy Oliver was ordained and has accepted the pastorate at Mull's Chapel. We are indebted to all ministers for their faithful service and dedication in proclaiming the message of salvation.

By God's grace and with His direction to guide we walk by faith believing that the new year can be better than the past. We covet your prayers, support and participation in whatever the Lord leads us to do in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille Upton, Clerk

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL REPORT

9/79 to 8/31/80

BALANCE ON HAND 9/1/79		$ 1,537.70
RECEIPTS:		
Miscellaneous	$ 881.07	
Baptist State Convention	3,000.00	
Abee's Chapel	175.00	
Berea	1,483.36	
Beulah	421.50	
Carswell Memorial	180.00	
Corinth	487.50	
Drowning Creek	61.50	
Faith Olive	22.50	
Hildebran View	10.00	
Hoyle Memorial	8.75	
Laurel Haven	95.00	
Midway	25.00	
Mt. Gilead	15.00	
Mt. Hebron	1,272.50	
Mt. Vernon	2,011.72	
Mt. Zion	100.00	
Mulls Chapel	75.00	
Oak Ridge	900.00	
Olive Grove	121.25	
Philadelphia	673.17	
Pisgah	535.00	
Pleasant Grove	52.50	
St. Johns	100.00	
St. Paul	125.00	

Shoups Grove	814.50	
South Fork	1,250.48	
Walkers Chapel	37.50	
Wilkies Grove	2,656.51	
Zion Hill	2,306.10	
Zoar	50.00	
TOTAL		$19,947.41
Edwards'Holy Land Trip:	1,275.34	
World Missions Conference	3,150.00	
Receipts:		
TOTAL RECEIPTS--ALL CAUSES		$24,372.75
BALANCE ON HAND PLUS TOTAL RECEIPTS		$25,910.45

EXPENSE:

Missionary's Salary	8,208.72
Missionary's Travel	2,336.62
Missionary's Housing	1,940.41
Missionary's Utilities	1,068.08
Missionary's Retirement	940.92
Secretary's Salary	750.00
Electricity	223.98
Telephone	536.16
Fuel	163.45
Yard/Lawn Upkeep	65.00
Convention/Conference Expense	623.49
Postage	224.27
Office Supplies	169.49
Insurance	26.00
Minutes	778.00
W.M.U.	250.00
Vacation Bible School	80.15
Seminary Extension	300.00
Sunday School Program & Leadership Training	156.04
Church Training Program & Leadership Training	113.63
Brotherhood	60.00
Pastor's Conference Speakers	40.00
Machine & Equipment Repairs	171.45
Missionary's Christmas Gift	100.00
South Mountain Camp	50.00
Clerk's Compensation	300.00
Treasurer's Compensation	300.00
Miscellaneous	245.85
Water Bill	25.00
Safety Box Rental	9.00
Youth Program	12.84
Holy Land Trip--Edwards	1,275.34
World Missions Conference	679.61
Special Purchases	662.85
TOTAL EXPENSES	22,886.35
BALANCE ON HAND 8/31/80	$ 3,024.10

1 Does not include $50.00 sent directly to Rev. Edwards by Carswell Memorial.
2 $2,470.39 credit balance in World Missions Conference which is to be dispersed. $553.71 in regular account.

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Upton, Treasurer

IN MEMORIAM

We know from Jesus, and we are grateful for the knowledge, that death is not the destruction but the expansion of life. Someone has said that death is not the extinguishing of life, but the turning down of the lamp because day has come. Through death the way is opened into new opportunities of service and worship, new disciplines, new joys; that even death cannot take us out of the Father's hands or separate us from the love of God is great consolation.

God is the source of our life and will be the destiny of our pilgrimage. Age after age the living have trusted in Him and found that there is no end to His mercy. Generation after generation have passed away within His providence and have entered upon that eternal life of light and love which has been promised to those who trust in Him. We express gratitude to God who in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has defeated death and brought life and immortality to light. We acknowledge that there is a sure destiny for our spirits in everlasting communion with God if we believe and accept His gift of love.

We thank the Lord for the lives of His servants who have gone before us into His nearer presence. We praise God for all that was kind and loving in their lives. As God did not lose them in giving them to us, so we do not lose them as they return to Him. We have joy in all who have faithfully lived and in all who have peacefully died. We are grateful for all the sacred ties that bind us to the unseen world.

I cannot think of them as dead
Who walk with me no more
Along the path of life I tread
They have but gone before.

The Father's house is mansioned fair
Beyond my vision dim;
All souls are His, and here or there
Are living unto Him.

And now, O God, we have in remembrance before Thee all who have lived the life before us, who were the companions of our days, most dear to our hearts, and who are now at rest with Thee. Help us abide in their fellowship and follow their example that we may one day sit down together in Thy heavenly kingdom.

Hear us as we name them:

Robert Ford--prayer

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Abee's Chapel
- Mr. Johnny Rector
- Mrs. Margie Rector
- Mrs. Annie Hollar

Berea
- Mr. Alvin Ingle

Beulah
- Mrs. Gail Carswell

Carswell Memorial
- Mr. Newland Carswell

Corinth
- Mr. Pink McNeilly
- Mr. C. S. Botts
- Mrs. Pauline Brackett

Faith Olive
- Mr. Willard A. Laws, Sr.

Midway
- Mrs. Lester Ritchie

Mt. Gilead
- Mrs. Zula Chapman
- Mrs. Sarah Chapman
- Mrs. Hester Chapman

Mt. Hebron
- Mr. Ned Huffman
- Mr. John Lail
- Mr. Manuel Brittain
- Mr. Lester Taylor

Mt. Vernon
- Mrs. Beatrice Davis
- Mrs. Minnie Martin
- Mr. John A. Burton (Deacon)
- Mr. D. C. Upton

Mt. Zion
- Mr. Lance Hudson

Mull's Chapel
- Miss Donna Workman
- Mr. Austin Rhoney
- Mr. Plato Short
- Mr. Ken Evans
- Mr. Raymond D. Shuford
- Mr. William C. Martin

Philadephia
- Mr. Clyde J. Brittain
- Rev. W. E. Keller (Pastor)

Pleasant Grove
- Mrs. Hester Chapman

St. Paul
- Mr. Grady Davis
- Mr. Gleen Mead
- Mr. Raymond Brackett

Walker's Chapel
- Mr. Milas Carswell

Wilkie's Grove
- Mrs. Susie Robinson
- Mrs. Versia Lail

Zion Hill
- Mrs. Vassie Gales
- Mrs. Lydia Mull
- Mrs. Nettie Hudson
- Mrs. Minnie Hicks
- Mr. Marshall Buff (Deacon)
- Mr. Sam Lingerfelt
- Mr. Odis Cook
- Mrs. Vangie Buff

Zoar
- Mrs. Vinia Queen

MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Missions Committee has met several times this past year. It has been our goal to direct the South Mountain Association into some vital and important missions. As we meet the needs of the people, we open the doors to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Our Missions Committee has promoted literacy workshops, and several people have been trained to teach others to read. It is our goal that many more will be trained to teach others to read. There are nearly 2,000,000 people in North Carolina who cannot read. How many of them, do you think, are in our Association?

The Missions Committee would like to encourage each church to have its own Missions Committee to work with the Pastor, and with the Associational Missions Committee. This committee could uncover some of the needs that exist in Rest Homes and Trailer Parks. Also, the many needs that exist with the shut-ins would be brought to light.

In any of these ministries, the Missions Committee stands waiting to help you and serve you in any way we can.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Ford
Missions Committee Chairman

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT 1980/81

OFFICERS

Moderator.....Rev. Charles McDowell, 397-6967
Vice Moderator.....Rev. Stuart Johnson, 879-8713
Clerk.....Miss Lucille Upton, 276-2114
Treasurer.....Miss Doris Upton, 276-2114
Sunday School Director.....Mrs. Louise Edwards, 482-6568
Church Training Director.....Mr. Jerry Buff, 538-9596
Woman's Missionary Director.....Mrs. Frances Melton, 397-6245
Brotherhood Director.....Mr. Ned Taylor, 397-3008
Vacation Bible School Director.....Mrs. Gail Ford, 434-6178
R.A. Director.....Mr. Dale Carswell, 879-9840
Music Director.....Mr. Robert Berry, 397-3644
Pianist.....Miss Sue Burton, 276-2029
Historian.....Miss Lucille Upton, 276-2114
Evangelism Director.....Rev. Thomas Berry, 538-8551
Deacon Director.....Mr. Terry Childers, 879-8166
Budget Director.....Mr. Eugene Sherrill, 789-8877

ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Baptist Children's Home.....Mrs. Annie Sain, 397-5784
Baptist Hospital.....Rev. Dean Coffey, 538-9638
Biblical Recorder.....Rev. Ralph Gouge, 397-3748
Homes for Aging.....Mrs. Mary Lail, 294-4591
Annuity Board.....Rev. Thomas Berry, 538-8551
Christian Life Council.....Rev. Michael White, 433-6855

REPORTS FOR 1981

Public Morals & Temperance.....Rev. Buren Hastings, 879-8464
Christian Education.....Rev. Robert Ford, 434-6178

Foreign Missions.....Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry, 397-3878
Home Missions.....Rev. Harold Dellinger, 435-5630
State Missions.....Mr. Robert Berry, 397-3644
Stewardship/Cooperative Program.....Mr. Eugene Sherrill, 789-8877
Baptist Hospital.....Rev. Dean Coffey, 538-9638
Annuity.....Rev. Thomas Berry, 538-8551
Religious Literature.....Rev. Ralph Gouge, 397-3748
Obituaries.....Miss Lucille Upton, 276-2114
Baptist Children's Homes.....Mrs. Annie Sain, 397-5784
Homes for Aging.....Mrs. Mary Lail, 294-4591
American Bible Society.....Mr. Dennis Wright, 397-7296
Christian Life Council.....Rev. Michael White, 433-6855

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Miss Doris Upton, Chairperson.....276-2114
Mrs. Frances Melton.....397-6245
Mr. Horace Sain.....462-2165
Mr. J. C. Buff.....538-9731

The Nominating Committee recommends the dedication of minutes for 1980/81 be made to Rev. Harold Dellinger, former Director of Missions.

THE REPORT OF THE PETITIONARY LETTERS &
CONSTITUTION OF CHURCHES COMMITTEE

We are happy to make a favorable report about the Bible Gospel Baptist Church which became a member of our Association under watch-care for one year, April of 1979. Your committee met with representatives of the church, March of 1980, and were pleased with the report they gave about their participation in our association and convention in carrying on our Lord's work.

Acting upon our recommendation, our Executive Committee accepted the Bible Gospel Baptist Church into full fellowship with our association of churches in session April, 1980.

As you adopt this report please give them a hearty vote of welcome.

Respectively submitted,
T. A. Lineberger, Chairman

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED BUDGET

1980-1981

I. OUR DIRECT MISSIONS MINISTRY
Missionary's Salary.....$ 8,209.00
Missionary's Travel.....2,500.00
Missionary's Housing.....3,300.00
Missionary's Utilities.....1,068.00
Convention Expenses.....1,000.00

II. OUR CHURCH DEVELOPMENT/CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRIES
Promotion Expenses
Sunday School.....300.00
Church Training.....200.00

Evangelism	50.00
R.A.'s	100.00
Vacation Bible School	200.00
Seminary Extension	300.00
Brotherhood	75.00
Woman's Missionary Union	300.00
Church Music	50.00
Youth Program	200.00

III. OUR ADMINISTRATIVE--SUPPORT MINISTRIES

Missionary's Retirement	1,200.00
Missionary's Christmas	110.00
Secretary's Salary	1,200.00
Secretary's Retirement	400.00
Associational Speaker's Fees	100.00
Pastor's Conference Speakers	75.00
Clerk's Compensation	325.00
Treasurer's Compensation	325.00
South Mountain Camp	50.00
Electricity	350.00
Telephone	700.00
Fuel	250.00
Lawn/Yard Upkeep	125.00
Postage	350.00
Office Supplies	500.00
Machine & Equipment Repair	200.00
Safe Deposit Rental	10.00
Minutes	1,000.00
Insurance (Liability, Fire, Etc.)	100.00
Building Repair & Maintenance	200.00
Water Bill	25.00
Flowers (For Pastors, Officers, their spouses, children, and parents death)	300.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
TOTAL MINISTRY EXPENSES	$25,997.00

The Budget & Finance Committee recommends that each church continue to support the ministries of its Association with a minimum of 4% of its offerings, payable each month. Also, your committee recommends that each church send $2.00 per copy for the number of minutes that you have requested on your Church Letter.

Respectively submitted,
Delbert Walker, Chairman

PUBLIC MORALS AND TEMPERANCE

The morale of our country is steadily declining. Everywhere we look we find evidence that sin is spreading like a fire. Our society has been weakened by our moral decay.

The frequent use of Marijuana, L.S.D. and other drugs; large consumption of alcoholic beverages, lack of respect for others on the highway and for personal property, burglary, rape, disregard for the laws of our land, and a non-concern for Christianity remind us of a steady moral decline.

We see the tragedy of our moral decay in our family life. It seems as though it is more important to "follow the crowd" than to stand strong and tall for Christ.

We must take our motto, "In God we trust" seriously and put our efforts toward turning our nation back to God in order to complete His mission. We must witness as we go, at school, at work, in our homes, in our churches, in all our thoughts and actions.

Respectfully submitted,
Buren Hastings

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that as messengers to the Seventieth Annual Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association:

1. We express our gratitude to Almighty God for His watch-care, guidance, grace, unity and growth which has been bestowed upon us during this year.
2. We express our appreciation to Mt. Hebron, Laurel Haven, and Abee's Chapel for the use of their facilities and for the bountiful meals provided by these church congregations.
3. We express our gratitude to our Moderator, Rev. Thomas Berry, and Vice-Moderator, Rev. Dean Coffey, for this past year of faithful service; and to their co-workers for a job well done.
4. We express our gratitude to our Director of Missions, Rev. Joe Edwards, and Mrs. Edwards for their faithfulness in the performance of their duties this year. We pledge our support, cooperation, prayers, and commitment to work with them in building a stronger Association in the year ahead.
5. We give thanks to God for the World Missions Conference held this year, and gratitude to the committees who worked to put it together, and to the missionaries who came, and the churches that were involved.
6. We affirm our support of the Bold Mission Thrust by:
   a. Promoting growth and unity of all the churches in our Association.
   b. Being personally involved in the ministry of our Lord.
   c. Giving of outselves and our means.
   d. Loving the souls of all mankind.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Ashe, Chairman
Clyde Houston
Mavis Fortenberry
Bernice Gouge

SEMINARY EXTENSION CENTER FINANCIAL REPORT

Oct 1, 1979 to Aug 31, 1980

CHECK BOOK BALANCE (Oct 1, 1979)	$350.97

Receipts

Tuitions	348.20
Teacher Renum. Bapt. State Conv.	430.00
Scholarship-Bapt. State Conv.	409.95
Assoc. Grant	300.00
Service Charge Refund	8.90
	$1,497.05

Expenditures

Sem. Ext. Dept.--Literature	830.95
Teacher Renum.	620.00
Postage	30.00
Baby Sitting	25.00
Service Charge--Checking	11.90
	$1,517.85

CHECK BOOK BALANCE (August 31, 1980) $330.17

SEMINARY EXTENSION EDUCATIONAL REPORT

During the period of this report we had the following courses:

College NT162, "Ephesians and Philippians" 5 enrolled
College NT112, "Introduction to the New Testament, Part I" 9 enrolled
College OT111, "Introduction to the Old Testament, Part I" 8 enrolled
College NT290, "Revelation" 4 enrolled

We tried something new this year: Courses taught at two locations, one at Wilkie's Grove and the other at Pisgah. We were pleased with the results. If we can get at least 5 people interested we can have a class any place.

New certified teachers are:

Rev. Alfred J. Abernethy, Mrs. Frances Melton, Rev. & Mrs. Robert Ford, and Mrs. Louise Edwards.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles McDowell, Chairman

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CAMP

Those of us who represent you and the Lord at South Mountain Baptist Camp witnessed Him doing a mighty work this year.

Over 2000 attended our regular camps. There were over 1300 others who attended church related activities. There were 198 who came from the South Mountain Association. Several hundred more visited in our commitment services.

Campers were challenged daily as we developed our theme "Making Disciples". There were 821 decisions for Christ, of which 268 were professions of faith and over 30 for special service. 1386 made a commitment to pray fifteen minutes daily for world missions.

Our program included devotion, classes on prayer and spiritual growth, mission study, worship and recreation.

We are eternally grateful to individuals and churches who support us with prayers and financial aid so that we may reach more of our youth for Christ.

Please remember that the Camp is available for retreats or day camps through November.

Plans should be made early next spring to make reservations for your youth. We are dependent on churches and individuals for improvements and growth. Remember us in your prayers throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
T. A. Lineberger

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Our ASSIST (Associational Sunday School Improvement Support Team) Team in the Association received a Certificate of Recognition from the State Sunday School Board. Our Team members are: Louise Edwards, Associational Director; John Williams, Adult Director; Gary Brackett, Youth Director; Jewell Canipe, Children's Director; Aileen Berry, Preschool Director. We are eager to help your Sunday School leaders. Please contact us.

A workshop was held at Mt. Hebron on March 17-18 by our state leaders. The major emphasis was on Reaching/Teaching. We appreciate the willingness of our state leaders to help in training our leaders.

September 16th was set for a Sunday School Director/Pastor workshop. This training session featured information on the 1980/81 Bible Teaching Program. It was constructed to challenge and inspire the Pastor and Director to concentrate on an effective Bible teaching year. In Luke 4:5-7, we read about what the devil offered Jesus in a moment of time and thought about what he offers us today in a moment of time. It is imperative that we use each moment of time in highly trained efforts to reach the world for Jesus Christ. This will take dedication to our Lord and Master from each teacher/Director and Pastor.

Our theme for the 1980/81 Bible teaching year is--GROWING STRONGER CHURCHES. We can help to accomplish this through the Sunday School hour. Our Associational ASSIST Team will try to help you in this area by offering several study courses during the year for all age-level and general officers. Look for the dates on your associational calendar and in the newsletters.

WE ONLY HAVE A MOMENT OF TIME.....How will we use it?

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Edwards, Director
PH: 462-2020 or 482-6568

TIME-PLACE-PREACHER COMMITTEE REPORT

The following churches have consented to host or Co-host the Annual Associational Meetings for the next five years:

YEAR	FIRST DAY	SECOND DAY
1981	*Wilkies Grove Philadelphia Hildebran View	*Pleasant Grove St. John
1982	*South Fork Midway	*Beulah Hoyle Memorial
1983	*Oak Ridge Drowning Creek	*Corinth Mt. Zion
1984	*Olive Grove Mt. Gilead	*Shoup's Grove Faith Olive
1985	*Berea	*Mt. Vernon

Preacher for 1981 Annual Message: Rev. Keith Starnes, Pastor of Oak Ridge Baptist Church. Alternate: Rev. Robert Ford, Pastor of Mt. Vernon Baptist Church.

The following churches have consented to host the quarterly Executive Committee Meetings:

DATE	CHURCH
January 13, 1981	Olive Grove
April 14, 1981	Berea
July 14, 1981	Mt. Gilead
October 6, 1981	St. John

We are grateful to these churches for their willingness to host/co-host our Annual and Executive Committee Meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Verona McNeilly
Acting Chairperson

* Location of meeting place.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

This year there were two identical Associational Clinics held for VBS workers. One was held at Corinth and the other at Wilkie's Grove with approximately 140 persons in attendance.

Thirty-one churches out of 33 had VBS this year with a total enrollment of 2413. Out of this number 72 made professions of faith. A total of 563 prospects, 264 youth/children and 299 adults, were discovered. Also, several churches had adult classes in VBS this year with a total of 197 enrolled.

In the area of the VBS Achievement Guide there were eight churches to achieve the Merit Award, three the Advanced, and one the Distinguished.

This year has been very rewarding, as well as challenging, for the Vacation Bible Schools of our Association. It is our responsibility to meet this challenge head on and reach these 563 PROSPECTS for our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Gail Ford, Director

W. M. U. REPORT

The South Mountain WMU Organizations have enjoyed a busy year. We have visited in and helped begin at least one WMU age-level organization in three different churches. This puts us in touch with twenty-one churches in the work of Missions.

We have been fortunate to share in two enjoyable and profitable Association-wide WMU meetings this year. The Spring Meeting, inspirational in nature, was held at St. Paul on April 21, 1980 with a missionary address by Mrs. Sarah Snell. The Leadership Training Workshop at Mt. Hebron on August 25, 1980, reached approximately forty ladies who lead out in missions in their local churches.

The WMU Helped prepare and supply flags and banners to honor the countries in which Southern Baptists have missionaries. These were displayed during the World Mission Conference Rally at Mt. Hebron on September 6.

The WMU Council for 1980-81 has been installed and stands ready to aid any church or group desiring help in beginning any phase of WMU work.

WMU Director	Mrs. Frances Melton	397-6245
Assistant WMU Director	Mrs. Mavis Fortenberry	397-3878
Baptist Women	Mrs. Jewell Elliott	538-7414
Baptist Young Women	Mrs. Marie Swink	397-6253
Acteens	Mrs. Carolyn Cook	276-1352
Girls in Action	Mrs. Carol Brittain	397-5030
Mission Friends	Mrs. Mary Ann Forbes	538-9786
Mission Action	Mrs. Gail Ford	276-1744

Respectfully submitted,
Frances S. Melton, Director

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT

This year the primary emphasis of the Youth Council has been to develop an Associational Youth Choir. Under the musical direction of Karen Hull, this choir has become a reality. There are approximately 30 persons who are now participating in this ministry. The choir had the opportunity of sharing their testimony through music at the World Missions Conference Rally which was held at Mount Hebron Baptist Church. It is the hope of the Youth Council, as well as the leaders in the music program, that the Associational Youth Choir will branch further out into new areas of service.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Gail Ford,
Interim Chairperson

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Abee's Chapel.....Ralph Abee, Rt. 1, Box 339, Connelly Springs, 28612
Wayne Floyd, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs, 28612
Jonathan Willis, Rt. 1, Box 135B, Connelly Springs, 28612

Mt. Gilead.....Kenneth Cook, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020

Mt. Vernon.....Harold Dellinger, Rt. 1, Shelby, 28150
D. C. Wessom, Rt. 2, Vale, 28168

Philadelphia.....Hansel Bryant, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612

Pleasant Grove.....Willie Freedle, Rt. 1, Box 166, Connelly Springs, 28612

St. John's.....Jim Brittain, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612

St. Paul.....Edsel Mull, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090
R. A. Brackett, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090

Smart's Grove.....John Henry Smart, Valdese, 26690
M. M. Smart, Rt. 3, Connelly Springs, 28612

LICENSED MINISTERS

Hoyle Memorial.....Rev. Jim Self, Lawndale, 28090
Philadelphia.....Rev. Johnny Chambers, Rt. 7, Box 275, Hickory, 28601
St. Paul.....Rev. Roy Hasting, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090
Smart's Grove.....Rev. Billy Mace, Rt. 4, Morganton, 28655
Rev. Javan Mace, Rt. 4, Morganton, 28655
Rev. Paul Mace, Rt. 3, Connelly Springs, 28612
Zion Hill.....Rev. Steve Propst, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090

SPECIAL NOTES

1. Berea Church installed a Sound System.
2. Carswell Memorial paved the driveway and the parking area.
3. Hoyle Memorial changed pastors and their new minister was ordained.
4. As a gesture of appreciation, the congregation of Mt. Gilead presented their pastor a 1980 Mazda.
5. The parking area at Mt. Hebron was paved.
6. Mt. Vernon drew up and adopted a Constitution and a budget. Four new deacons were ordained.
7. Rev. Ernest R. Oliver was ordained at Pisgah.
8. Pleasant Grove observed their 103rd Anniversary.
9. Zion Hill made provision for new recreational facilities--a tennis court.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE ASSOCIATION

1950--S.M. Stroupe, Moderator; J.E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J.D. Goodwin, Clerk; A.V. Ledford, N.S. Hardin, Preacher; Oak Ridge, Corinth, Places.
1951--S.M. Stroupe, Moderator; J.E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. J.D. Goodwin, Clerk; Grady Welch, L.A. Miller, Preachers; Icard, Zion Hill, Places.
1952--S.M. Stroupe, Moderator; J.E. Hoffman, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Claude Icard, Clerk; Lamont Mayes, W.H. Flowers, Preachers; Henry River, St. Paul, Places.
1953--S.M. Stroupe, Moderator; B.R. Holbrook, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. B.R. Holbrook, Clerk; R.W. Hord, Fred Hicks, Preachers; Bethany, Mt. Vernon, Places.
1954--J.E. Hoffman, Moderator; A.V. Ledford, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. B.R. Holbrook, Clerk; Forrest Davis, B.R. Holbrook, Preachers; Shoup's Grove, Walker's Chapel, Places.
1955--J.E. Hoffman, Moderator; Ralph Berry, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. B.R. Holbrook, Clerk; Buren Hastings, J.E. Hoffman, Preachers; Connelly Springs, Pisgah, Places.
1956--Paul Crotts, Moderator; W.N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Frank Hicks, Clerk; Julius Hildebran, Ralph Berry, Preachers; St. Paul, Mull's Chapel, Places.
1957--Paul Crotts, Moderator; W.N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Joe Richards, B.H. Cline, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Carswell Memorial, Places.
1958--Paul Crotts, Moderator; W.N. Reece, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; J.E. Hoffman, Paul Crotts, Preachers; St. John's, Oak Ridge, Places.
1959--Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Grady McCurry, Preachers; Berea, Beulah, Places.

1960--Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Harold Whitener, Earsel Robinson, Preachers; Midway, Zion Hill, Places.
1961--Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; P.G. Sullivan, Harold Whitener, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Shoup's Grove, Places.
1962--Paul Crotts, Moderator; Harold Whitener, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; S.M. Stroupe, J.I. Willis, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, Corinth, Places.
1963--Harold Whitener, Moderator Paul Crotts, Vice-Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Garland Early, Harvey Harris, Preachers; St. Paul, Pleasant Grove, Places.
1964--Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; B.R. Whisnant, Thomas Taylor, Preachers; Mt. Gildea, Olive Grove, Places.
1965--Paul Crotts, Moderator; Mrs. Frank Hicks, Clerk; Floyd Benfield, Jack Johnson, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Pisgah, Places.
1966--Thomas D. Taylor, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J.M. Powell, Jack E. Guffey, Preachers; Drowning Creek, Mull's Chapel, Mt. Calvary, Places.
1967--Paul Crotts, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; J.T. Cline, William Shytle, Preachers; Abee's Chapel, Wilkie's Grove, Smart's Grove, Places.
1968--William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Andy Mead, G.C. Wray, Preachers; Bera, Beulah, St. Paul, Places.
1969--William Shytle, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; R.L. Ball, Harold Ashe, Preachers, Oak Ridge, Carswell Memorial, Faith Olive, Places.
1970--J.T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Richard Adams, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Mull's Chapel Places.
1971--J.T. Cline, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Ronald Martin, Cecil Buff, Preachers; Zion Hill, Corinth, Places.
1972--Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk, Dennis Whitley, Carrell Pruette, Preachers; Zoar, Abee's Chapel, Places.
1973--Ralph Staton, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Raymond Crott, Preachers; Wilkie's Grove, St. John's, Places.
1974--Raymond Crook, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Edsel Mull, Kenneth Simpson, Preachers; St. Paul, Shoup's Grove, Places.
1975--Harold Dellinger, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Buren Hastings, Gwyn Sullivan, Preachers; Mt. Hebron, Olive Grove, Places.
1976--Harold Ashe, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Cecil Buff, Ralph Staton, Preachers; Mt. Vernon, Berea, Places.
1977--Gwyn Sullivan, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Jerry Bryant, Gary Huntsinger, Preachers; Pisgah, Walker's Chapel, Places.
1978--Gwyn Sullivan, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Joe Forbes, Ned Perkins, Preachers; Zion Hill, Mull's Chapel, Places.
1979--Rev. Ned Perkins, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clerk; Rev. Charles McDowell, Preacher; St. Paul, Carswell Memorial, Churches.
1980--Rev. Thomas Berry, Moderator; Miss Lucille Upton, Clark; Rev. Ralph Gouge, Preacher; Mt. Hebron, Laurel Haven, Abee's Chapel, Churches.

PIANISTS/ORGANISTS

Abee's Chapel.....Mrs. Gail Duckworth, Box 100, Valdese 28690, 892-8548
Berea.....Mrs. Mary Lou Wells, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs, 28612, 397-5775
Beulah.....Mrs. Anna Martha Young, Rt. 3, Vale, 28168, 462-2759
Bible Gospel.....Hazel Hildebran, Rt. 3, Connelly Springs, 28612
Carswell Memorial.....Debbie Serra, Rt. 11, Box 477B, Morganton, 28655, 437-4583
Corinth.....Mrs. Bobbie Botts, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020 538-8873
Drowning Creek.....
Faith Olive.....Mrs. Dale Williams, Rt. 8, Box 490, Hickory, 28601
Hildebran View.....Mrs. H. D. Lowman, Hildebran, 28637
Laurel Haven.....Myra Bradshaw, Rt. 4, Box 636, Morganton, 28655
Midway.....Mrs. Debbie Beavers, Rt. 8, Box 181C, Hickory, 28601, 294-4843
Mt. Gilead.....Nancy Buff, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612
Mt. Hebron.....Mrs. Susan Abernathy, Rt. 3, Box 770, Connelly Spr., 28612, 874-3101
Mt. Vernon.....Sue Burton, Rt. 2, Vale, 28168, 276-2920
Mt. Zion.....Lucy Wease, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020
Mull's Chapel.....Mrs. Addie McClurd, 813 Rostan St. SE, Valdese, 28690, 874-2409
Oak Ridge.....Scott Lowman, Rt. 2, Box 334, Connelly Springs, 28612, 879-9533
Olive Grove.....Aileen Spurling, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090, 538-7189
Philadelphia.....Mrs. Josie Brittain, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs, 28612
Pisgah.....Kenneth Beam, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020, 538-8632
Pleasant Grove.....Mrs. Hubert Lindsay, Rt. 4, Box 478, Morganton, 28655
St. John's.....Hazel Williams, Rt. 1, Valdese, 28690
St. Paul.....Bentha Cook, Rt. 1, Casar, 28020, 538-9601
Shoup's Grove.....Elsie Childers, Rt. 3, Box 290, Connelly Springs, 28612
Smart's Grove.....Evelyn Lail, Rt. 4, Box 594, Morganton 28655
South Fork.....Sherry Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 106, Connelly Springs, 28612, 397-3749
Tabernacle.....
Walker's Chapel.....Mrs. Blaka Bradley, Rt. 4, Box 69, Morganton, 28655, 437-7275
Wilkie's Grove.....Susan Ross, Rt. 4, Hickory, 28601
Zion Hill.....Mrs. Adene Hicks, Rt. 3, Lawndale, 28090 538-9861
Zoar.....Brenda Chapman, Rt. 1, Box 236F, Casar 28020, 538-7843

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1980 (Month & Day)

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Clerk: MISS LUCILLE UPTON

Address: ROUTE 2, BOX 380, VALE — City: VALE — State: NC — Zip: 28168

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)		3 County	4 Year organized as a church	5 Location: 1 Town, 2 Rural, 3 Suburban, 4 Resort, 5 Large City	5 Services held twice on Sunday? Y	5 Services held twice on Sunday? N	12 Total Baptisms	14 Other additions by letter, statement, etc.	15 Members lost by letter, death, statement, etc.)	16 Present resident members	17 Present nonresident members	18 Grand total present members	19 No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	20 No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	24 Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	25 Value of church property including pastor's home	26 Total church debt at end of this associational year
ABEE'S CHAPEL	BUREN HASTINGS, BOX 157, VALDESE	28690	BURKE	1886	1	x		5	3	7	241	123	364	0	0	40,000	110,000	0
BEREA	STUART JOHNSON, RT 1, BOX 1098, CONN. SPRINGS	28612	BURKE	1947	1	x		4	4	9	344	20	364	0	2	45,000	200,000	33,623
BEULAH	CARROLL CRAIG, RT 1, BOX 78, NEWTON	28658	CATAWBA	1905	1	x		7	4	4	94	82	176	0	0	0	100,000	0
BIBLE GOSPEL	GERALD WARD, RT 3, BOX 109, HICKORY	28601	BURKE	1974	1	x		9	5	0	75	26	101	0	0	0	150,000	36,000
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	MICHAEL WHITE, 401 WILLOWBROOK DR., MORGANTON	28655	BURKE	1938	1	x		5	2	2	94	47	141	0	0	0	85,000	4,000
CORINTH	CECIL BUFF, LAWNDALE	28090	CLEVELAND	1884	1		x	16	6	9	303	31	334	0	0	0	125,000	0
DROWNING CREEK	BILL ANDREWS, LENOIR	28645	BURKE	1952	1	x		1	0	9	27	50	77	0	0	0	40,000	0
FAITH OLIVE	BERRY LAFONE, RT 2, BOX 109, HICKORY	28601	CATAWBA	1965	2	x		0	1	1	90	28	118	0	0	0	60,000	0
HILDEBRAN VIEW	STANLEY T. BRITTAIN, RT 1, BOX 273, CONN. SP.	28612	BURKE	1946	1	x		2	3	2	34	25	59	0	0	0		0
HOYLE MEMORIAL	JIM SELF, LAWNDALE	28090	CLEVELAND	1967	1	x		8	0	0	18	6	24	0	0	0	25,000	0
LAUREL HAVEN	CLYDE HOUSTON, BOX 3, ICARD	28666	BURKE	1971	1	x		0	2	0	28	16	44	0	0	0	62,500	6,500
MIDWAY	LEX WRIGHT, RT 8, BOX 646, HICKORY	28601	BURKE	1956	1	x		0	4	2	127	2	129	0	1	0	73,000	0
MT. GILEAD	OTTIS COOK, RT 1, CASAR	28020	BURKE	1830	1		x	13	1	3	160	48	208	0	0	0	90,000	0
MT. HEBRON	RALPH GOUGE, RT 3, BOX 702, CONN. SPRINGS	28612	BURKE	1870	1	x		21	6	9	364	78	442	0	2	43,000	500,000	90,847
MT. VERNON	ROBERT FORD, RT 4, VALE	28168	LINCOLN	1840	1	x		1	2	5	243	80	323	1	0	32,000	260,000	0
MT. ZION	HAROLD DELLINGER, RT 1, SHELBY	28150	CLEVELAND	1848	1		x	0	0	2	50	31	81	0	0	0	40,000	0
MULL'S CHAPEL	ERNEST R. OLIVER, RT 1, BOX 149-A, CONN. SP.	28612	CATAWBA	1871	1	x		0	5	14	70	81	151	0	0	50,000	100,000	0
OAK RIDGE	KEITH STARNES, RT 2, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	BURKE	1943	1	x		13	5	5	360	0	360	0	0	40,000	280,000	15,000
OLIVE GROVE	TERRILL CRUMP, RT 1, BOX 227-B, CASAR	28020	CLEVELAND	1884	1		x	5	1	3	212	71	283	0	0	50,000	180,000	13,527
PHILADELPHIA			BURKE	1952	1		x	3	4	10	112	33	145	0	0	0	85,000	0
PISGAH	DEAN COFFEY, RT 1, CASAR	28020	CLEVELAND	1840	1		x	3	4	4	182	28	210	3	1	45,000	200,000	0
PLEASANT GROVE			BURKE	1876	1		x	11	0	6	128	20	148	0	0	0	90,000	0
ST. JOHN'S	JAMES BUMGARNER, RT 1, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	BURKE	1842	1		x	4	0	1	199	10	209	0	0	50,000	110,000	3,000
ST. PAUL	JOE FORBES, RT 1, CASAR	28020	CLEVELAND	1860	1		x	19	1	5	285	148	433	0	0	40,000	250,000	2,105
SHOUP'S GROVE	ROBERT H. ASHE, BOX 240, ICARD	28666	BURKE	1892	1	x		9	2	2	250	45	295	0	0	25,000	125,000	0
SMART'S GROVE	HOWARD WILSON, RT 3, BOX 854 A, CONN. SP.	28612	BURKE	1935	1	x		9	5	7	120	78	198	0	0	60,000	100,000	0
SOUTH FORK	DARRELL McGUIRE, RT 4, BOX 777K, HICKORY	28601	BURKE	1937	1	x		19	3	3	158	30	188	0	0	28,000	160,000	36,000
TABERNACLE	JOHN GLOVER, RT 1, CASAR	28020	CLEVELAND	1965	1	x		10	0	0	68	0	68	0	0	0	10,000	450
WALKER'S CHAPEL	THOMAS D. TAYLOR, RT 7, BOX 430 D, SHELBY	28150	BURKE	1915	1		x	0	1	2	104	0	104	0	0	0	140,000	22,478
WILKIE'S GROVE	CHARLES McDOWELL, RT 4, BOX 470, HICKORY	28601	BURKE	1896	1	x		12	2	10	254	39	293	0	1	30,000	200,000	1,719
ZION HILL	THOMAS BERRY, RT 3, LAWNDALE	28090	BURKE	1959	1	x		3	0	15	271	51	322	2	2	50,000	150,000	0
ZOAR			CLEVELAND	1934	1		x	3	3	4	31	24	55	0	1	0	200,000	0
TOTAL								215	79	155	5,096	1,351	6,447	6	10	628,000	4,300,500	265,249

TABLE II SUNDAY SCHOOL — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1980 (Month & Day)

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Sunday School Director: MRS. LOUISE EDWARDS
Address: 764 LOWERY STREET, City: SHELBY, State: NC, Zip: 28150

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	54 Cradle Roll enrollment (Birth to 2 years)	55 Preschool enrollment (Birth through 5 years)	56 Children enrollment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	57 Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	58 Young Adult enrollment--Single (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	59 Young Adult enrollment--married (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	60 Adult enrollment (30-59 years)	61 Senior Adult enrollment (60 and over)	62 Adults Away enrollment	63 Homebound enrollment	64 General officers enrollment	65 Enrollment of members(s) at church	66 Total morning Sunday School enrollment	67 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	68 Number of Bible Study groups	69 Bible Study groups enrollment	70 Total enrolled in Bible Study	71 Church V. B. S. enrollment	72 * Mission V. B. S. enrollment	73 Total V. B. S. enrollment
ABEE'S CHAPEL	KEITH LAIL, RT 3, BOX 854, CONN. SP. 28612	7	23	30	41	10	34	45	60	0	0	3	0	253	208	0	0	253	88	0	88
BEREA	CHARLIE TOWNSEND, RT 3, BOX 560, CONN.SP. 28612	0	23	41	40	12	26	40	17	0	0	4	0	203	111	0	0	203	100	0	100
BEULAH	EVAN RHONEY, RT 4, BOX 266, VALE 28168	0	14	15	15	6	7	29	12	0	0	5	0	103	73	0	0	103	82	0	82
BIBLE GOSPEL	LONNIE JOHNSON, RT 11, BOX 22, MORGANTON 28655	6	8	14	18	0	0	33	0	0	0	0	0	79	58	0	0	79	58	0	58
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	HENRY CARSWELL, RT 11, BOX 477B, MORGANTON 28655	0	12	13	10	19	8	14	19	0	0	3	0	98	66	0	0	98	54	0	54
CORINTH	BOBBY DOWNS, RT 1, CASAR 28020	15	39	20	50	20	46	40	43	0	0	0	0	273	173	1	27	300	154	0	154
DROWNING CREEK	PRESTON STACY, RT 3, CONNELLY SPRINGS 28612	0	7	14	14	2	2	7	4	1	0	4	0	55	22	0	0	55	0	0	0
FAITH OLIVE	GRADY C. ALLEN, RT 8, BOX 490, HICKORY 28601	2	10	16	19	12	10	13	8	28	0	0	0	118	52	0	0	118	62	0	62
HILDEBRAN VIEW	REV. R. B. HUDSON, RT 1, CONN. SPRINGS 28612	1	3	8	1	2	24	6	0	0	0	0	0	45	28	0	0	45	0	0	0
HOYLE MEMORIAL		0	2	6	2	0	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	22	22	1	12	34	42	0	42
LAUREL HAVEN	ARDEN SMITH, RT 11, BOX 621, MORGANTON 28655	1	4	10	13	4	4	12	2	0	0	3	0	53	28	0	0	53	82	0	82
MIDWAY	LONNIE BRYANT, 3379 14TH AVE.,SW, HICKORY 28601	0	0	6	10	5	4	32	6	0	0	4	0	67	35	0	0	67	54	0	54
MT. GILEAD	WALTER SMITH, RT 1, CONNELLY SPRINGS 28612	7	10	24	19	18	24	23	18	10	0	7	0	160	98	0	0	160	60	0	60
MT. HEBRON	MAYNARD TAYLOR, RT 3, BOX 637, CONN. SP. 28612	0	35	62	48	11	24	42	83	0	0	4	0	309	216	0	0	309	161	0	161
MT. VERNON	LEROY LUSK, RT 4, VALE 28168	11	5	20	26	9	14	56	32	6	15	5	0	199	130	0	0	199	76	0	76
MT. ZION	BULAND SHORT, RT 1, CASAR 28020	0	3	8	10	4	2	16	8	0	0	0	0	51	35	0	0	51	34	0	34
MULL'S CHAPEL	LLOYD YOUNG, RT 1, BOX 270, CONN. SP. 28612	0	12	7	9	0	11	6	20	0	0	0	0	65	51	0	0	65	36	0	36
OAK RIDGE	DENNIS SEAGLE, RT 2, CONNELLY SPRINGS 28612	0	27	45	51	12	33	43	16	0	0	4	0	231	136	0	0	231	115	0	115
OLIVE GROVE	MR. HAZEL WALKER, RT 1, CASAR 28020	0	11	25	21	14	16	63	0	0	0	4	0	154	117	0	0	154	88	0	88
PHILADELPHIA	JUNIOR ABERNATHY, RT 4, HICKORY 28601	1	4	30	19	6	8	30	9	0	0	4	0	111	94	0	0	111	51	0	51
PISGAH	J. C. BUFF, RT 1, CASAR 28020	0	5	10	16	20	20	13	13	0	0	4	0	101	71	0	0	101	90	0	90
PLEASANT GROVE	DELBERT WALKER, RT 1, BOX 241, CONN. SP. 28612	0	10	29	18	6	20	30	15	0	0	0	0	128	81	0	0	128	80	0	80
ST. JOHN'S	RONNIE BRITTAIN, RT 4, BOX 558, HICKORY 28601	19	19	19	23	2	18	47	17	0	0	0	0	164	124	0	0	164	85	0	85
ST. PAUL	EARL MORRISON, RT 3, LAWNDALE 28090	2	8	25	10	32	35	46	20	0	0	8	0	186	113	0	0	186	118	0	118
SHOUP'S GROVE	VANCE BRITTAIN, BOX 1, ICARD 28666	0	24	34	30	0	27	24	20	0	0	8	0	167	100	0	0	167	97	0	97
SMART'S GROVE	LARRY MACE, RT 1, BOX 110B, CONN. SP. 28612	12	13	29	10	5	17	46	14	0	0	3	0	149	110	0	0	149	87	0	87
SOUTH FORK	DWIGHT HUFFMAN, RT 4, BOX 767, HICKORY 28601	0	22	34	20	1	20	18	3	0	0	6	0	124	100	0	0	124	101	0	101
TABERNACLE	JOHNNIE MATTHEW, RT 1, CASAR 28020	0	0	16	10	0	20	0	24	0	0	4	0	74	45	0	0	74	23	0	23
WALKER'S CHAPEL	SHUB CARSWELL, RT 4, BOX 494, MORGANTON 28655	3	12	16	10	5	23	14	21	0	0	0	0	104	50	0	0	104	24	0	24
WILKIE'S GROVE	GARY STARNES, RT 4, BOX 737B, HICKORY 28601	6	28	35	26	0	7	45	60	0	0	5	0	212	132	0	0	212	96	0	96
ZION HILL	WARREN YANCEY, RT 3, BOX 250, LAWNDALE 28090	19	31	23	35	6	9	53	68	0	6	3	0	253	173	0	0	253	83	0	83
ZOAR	PHILLIP LAIL, RT 7, BOX 27, LAWNDALE 28090	0	4	7	4	0	0	16	8	0	0	2	0	41	23	0	0	41	52	0	52
		112	428	691	648	243	517	910	640	45	21	97	0	4,352	2,875	2	39	4,391	2,333	0	2,333

TABLE C CHURCH TRAINING — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1980 (Month & Day)

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Church Training Director: JERRY BUFF
Address: ROUTE 1 City: CASAR State: NC Zip: 28020

CHURCHES	CHURCH TRAINING DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)		74 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	75 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	76 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	77 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	78 Equipping Centers enrolment	79 Hold Fast enrolment	80 General officers enrolment	81 Enrolment of assistant(s) of Church	82 Total Church Training enrolment	83 Average weekly Church Training attendance	84 New Church Member Training Participation: Children	85 Youth	86 Adult
BEREA	CHARLES BERRY, BOX 91, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	19	20	20	48	0	0	2	0	109	52	0	0	0
BEULAH	WANDA HILDEBRAN, RT 4, BOX 586, MORGANTON	28655	5	8	2	15	0	0	4	0	34	30	0	0	0
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	FRED BUTLER, RT 11, BOX 477, MORGANTON	28655	4	5	6	26	0	0	2	0	43	31	0	0	0
MT. HEBRON	RUTH HOYLE, RT 3, BOX 658, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	3	18	20	23	0	0	3	0	67	58	0	0	0
MT. VERNON	FAYE DOWNS, RT 4, VALE	28168	6	9	13	21	0	0	2	0	51	23	0	0	0
MULL'S CHAPEL	MARTIN AYERS, RT 1, BOX 128A3, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	4	1	5	11	0	0	6	0	27	14	0	0	0
OAK RIDGE			14	15	32	48	0	0	2	0	111	60	0	0	0
PISGAH	JEANETTE HOYLE, RT 1, CASAR	28020	4	5	7	18	0	0	2	0	36	30	0	0	0
ST. PAUL	BENTHA COOK, RT 1, CASAR	28020	17	15	18	33	0	0	1	0	84	35	0	0	0
SHOUP'S GROVE	JOE CROTTS, RT 1, BOX 39, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	3	6	17	33	0	0	3	0	62	45	0	0	0
WILKIE'S GROVE	MARIE SWINK, RT 4, HICKORY	28601	9	12	7	18	0	0	1	0	47	32	0	0	0
ZION HILL	GERALD SAILORS, RT 3, LAWNDALE	28090	9	3	5	45	0	19	9	0	90	33	0	0	0
TOTAL			97	117	152	339	0	19	37	0	761	443	0	0	0

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BIBLE DRILL ENROLLMENT REPORT — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1980

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN (Month & Day)

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Music Director: ROBERT BERRY

Address: ROUTE 2, BOX 955-V4, CONNELLY SPRINGS — City — State: NC — Zip: 28612

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)		87 Preschool enrollment (4-5 years)	88 Children enrollment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	89 Youth enrollment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	90 Adult enrollment (18 and over)	91 Handbell ringers enrollment	92 Vocal ensembles enrollment	93 Instrumental ensembles enrollment	94 General music leaders enrollment	95 Enrollment of minister(s) of church	96 Total regularly Church Music enrollment	97 Average monthly Church Music attendance	98 Church Music study group enrollment
ABEE'S CHAPEL	RONDER CRAWFORD, RT 1, BOX 42, VALDESE	28690	12	0	0	60	0	0	0	8	0	80	65	0
BEREA	ROBERT BERRY, RT 2, BOX 955-V4, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	5	0	23	20	0
BEULAH	BRENDA WHITE, RT 3, VALE	28168	4	6	8	25	0	0	0	3	0	46	25	0
BIBLE GOSPEL	FLAY CROTTS, RT 1, BOX 243, CASAR	28020	6	9	6	20	0	2	0	4	0	47	30	15
CARSWELL MEMORIAL			0	2	1	12	0	4	0	4	0	23	20	0
CORINTH	DON McNEILLY, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	9	10	20	0	0	0	2	0	41	20	0
DROWNING CREEK			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FAITH OLIVE	GERALDINE HUDSPETH, RT 8, BOX 458, HICKORY	28601	0	0	5	5	0	10	0	0	0	20	10	1
HILDEBRAN VIEW	DELLA HUDSON, RT 3, BOX 251, VALE	28168	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HOYLE MEMORIAL			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAUREL HAVEN	LELA HOYLE, RT 4, BOX 650, MORGANTON	28655	0	2	5	10	0	0	0	2	0	19	12	0
MIDWAY	LYDIA WHITE, RT 2, BOX 598, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	3	4	19	0	0	0	4	0	30	15	0
MT. GILEAD	RUTHIE PARKER, RT 1, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	5	8	3	25	0	6	0	5	20	72	20	0
MT. HEBRON	RICHARD FRALEY, RT 3, BOX 644, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	45	22	35	0	0	0	3	0	105	77	0
MT. VERNON	OMAR HOYLE, RT 4, VALE	28168	0	6	10	15	0	0	0	5	0	36	16	0
MT. ZION	TAMMY CHAPMAN ROUTE 1 CASAR	28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MULL'S CHAPEL	KAREN HULL, RT 2, BOX 385, VALE	28168	0	0	3	8	0	0	3	0	0	14	8	0
OAK RIDGE	TERRY CHILDERS, RT 2, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	20	0	25	0	0	0	5	0	50	25	0
OLIVE GROVE	DAPHENE McNEILLY, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	10	6	20	0	3	2	5	0	46	40	0
PHILADELPHIA	JACK PRICE, RT 7, HICKORY	28601	2	15	5	30	0	0	0	2	0	54	45	0
PISGAH	HAZEL BEAM, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	5	7	13	0	0	0	3	0	28	28	0
PLEASANT GROVE	HUBERT H. LINDSAY, RT 4, BOX 478, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ST. JOHN'S	BETTY HUFFMAN, RT 1, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ST. PAUL	LUCILLE GREEN, RT 3, LAWNDALE	28090	6	10	4	20	0	3	0	6	0	49	40	0
SHOUP'S GROVE	DOT SHUFORD, RT 1, BOX 392, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	4	15	15	0	0	2	2	0	38	32	0
SMART'S GROVE	DON ABEE, RT 1, BOX 110 A, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOUTH FORK	DWIGHT HUFFMAN, RT 4, BOX 767, HICKORY	28601	10	15	5	30	0	0	0	2	0	62	62	0
TABERNACLE			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WALKER'S CHAPEL	J. C. BRADLEY, RT 4, BOX 69, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WILKIE'S GROVE	RICKY SAIN, RT 3, BOX 1788, VALE	28168	8	8	9	20	0	0	0	3	0	48	30	0
ZION HILL	KENNETH F. SAIN, RT 2, VALE	28168	0	0	3	18	0	0	0	4	0	25	17	1
ZOAR	JIM MAUNEY, BOX 1664, SHELBY	28150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	2	0
TOTAL			53	177	131	463	0	28	7	79	20	958	659	17

TABLE II WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1980 (Month & Day)

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational WMU Director: MRS. FRANCES MELTON

Address: ROUTE 8, BOX 304 — City: HICKORY — State: NC — Zip: 28601

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	112
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
		Mission Friends (3 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Action (12 years or grades 4-6)	Actaeas (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years & not graduates through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	Missionels of Church	Total number of organizations	Mission Friends (3 years and under—not in school)	Girls in Actaea (12 years or grades 4-6)	Actaeas (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Baptist Young Women (18-29 years & not graduates through 29 years)	Baptist Women (30 and over)	WMU officers	Missionels of Church	Total ongoing WMU enrollment
ABEE'S CHAPEL	MRS. A. D. BUCHANAN, RT 1, BOX 66, CONN. SP. 28612	1	1	1	1	1	0	5	6	3	7	8	17	3	0	44
BEREA		0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11
BEULAH	PAULETTE SWINK, RT 1, BOX 329C, LINCOLNTON 28092	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	8	0	4	0	26	4	0	42
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	MRS. FRED BUTLER, RT 11, BOX 477, MORGANTON 28655	1	1	0	1	1	0	4	4	7	0	7	6	3	0	27
CORINTH	MAZEL LAIL, RT 1, CASAR 28020	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	4	0	12
DROWNING CREEK	BARBARA CONGOR, GENERAL DELIVERY, HILDEBRAN 28637	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	4	1	0	7
MIDWAY	MRS. RAY WEAVER, RT 2, BOX 637, CONNELLY SPRINGS 28612	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	5	3	0	13	4	0	25
MT. GILEAD	BARBARA SMITH, RT 1, CONNELLY SPRINGS 28612	0	1	1	1	1	0	4	2	8	3	2	15	3	0	33
MT. HEBRON	CORA LEE HILDEBRAN, RT 3, BOX 712, CONN. SP. 28612	0	1	1	1	1	0	4	0	18	15	10	12	5	0	60
MT. VERNON	DORIS UPTON, RT 2, BOX 308, VALE 28168	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	2	7	11	0	18	1	0	39
OAK RIDGE		1	1	1	0	1	0	4	5	14	14	0	6	2	0	41
PHILADELPHIA		0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	11	9	0	0	0	0	20
PISGAH	FAIRYLEE COFFEY, RT 1, CASAR 28020	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	7	14	12	0	10	5	0	48
ST. JOHN'S	BRENDA HINEGARDNER, RT 4, BOX 473A, HICKORY 28601	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	9	0	0	19	5	0	33
ST. PAUL	MARY ANN FORBES, RT 1, CASAR 28020	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	10	13	5	0	18	7	0	53
SHOUP'S GROVE	NANCY COX, RT 4, BOX 916, HICKORY 28601	0	1	1	1	1	0	4	0	10	10	12	12	5	0	49
WILKIE'S GROVE	FRANCES MELTON, RT 8, BOX 304, HICKORY 28601	2	2	1	0	2	0	7	15	14	7	0	28	0	0	64
ZION HILL	HELEN WELLMAN, RT 3, LAWNDALE 28090	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	6	0	10	2	0	18
TOTALS		9	14	14	6	17	0	60	59	144	106	41	222	54	0	626

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1980 (Month & Day)

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Brotherhood Director: NED TAYLOR
Address: ROUTE 3, BOX 790 City: CONNELLY SPRINGS State: NC Zip: 28612

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)		114 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	115 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	116 RA director and counselors	117 Baptist Hour enrollment-Radio	118 Baptist Hour enrollment-Prayer	119 Baptist Hour enrollment-Mission Action	120 Baptist Hour enrollment-Witnessing or Lay Renewal	121 Brotherhood director and other general Brotherhood Officers	122 Enrollment of mission(s) of church	123 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrollment
ABEE'S CHAPEL	ROBERT WOODIE, RT 1, BOX 40, VALDESE	28690										
BEULAH	EVAN RHONEY, RT 4, BOX 266, VALE	28168	5	9	4	11	0	0	0	0	0	29
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	HENRY CARSWELL, RT 11, BOX 477B, MORGANTON	28655	5	2	0	6	0	0	0	1	0	14
DROWNING CREEK	LARRY CONGOR, GENERAL DELIVERY, HILDEBRAN	28637	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
MT. GILEAD			0	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
MT. HEBRON	DENNIS WRIGHT, BOX 351, ICARD	28666	20	12	3	0	5	0	6	2	0	48
MT. VERNON	ARNOLD SAIN, RT 2, VALE	28168	11	0	0	11	0	0	0	2	0	24
OAK RIDGE			10	8	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	38
PHILADELPHIA			5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
PISGAH	JERALD NORMAN, RT 1, CASAR	28020	3	9	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	17
ST. PAUL	R. A. BRACKETT, RT 3, LAWNDALE	28090	6	12	2	0	0	1	0	5	10	36
SHOUP'S GROVE	BRUCE WATSON, ICARD	28666	14	12	1	15	0	0	0	1	0	43
WILKIE'S GROVE	DONALD BRITTAIN, RT 4, BOX 581, HICKORY	28601	12	7	4	10	0	0	0	1	0	34
ZION HILL	HORACE F. SAIN, RT 3, VALE	28168	2	8	1	0	0	8	0	1	0	20
ZOAR	JIM MAUNEY, BOX 1664, SHELBY	28150	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7
TOTAL			93	96	19	73	5	16	6	16	10	334

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP YEAR ENDING 6/31 1980

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN (Month & Day)

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Treasurer: DORIS UPTON

Address: RT 2, BOX 308 City: VALE State: NC ZIP: 28168

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	21 Number of tithers	22 Expressive Program goal as percent of total budget	23 Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	27a Budget promotion or emphasis used during the year: Forward Program of Church Finance	Committed to Tithers Commitment	Tithers Commitment	27b Budget: Other	YES	NO	124 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	125 All other receipts	126 Total receipts	127 Money borrowed during the year	128 Church staff salaries	129 Money paid out on new construction during the year	130 Debt retirement during the year	131 Church literature	132 All other local expenditures	133 Total local expenditures
ABEE'S CHAPEL	ULEN LOWMAN, BOX 27, VALDESE 28690	90	0	0				x	x		88,055	0	88,055	0	12,007	0	0	902	22,300	35,209
BEREA	RUSSELL HUFFMAN, RT 1, BOX 259, VALDESE 28690	50	16	3				x	x		54,998	280	55,278	0	15,740	0	7,748	2,094	29,696	55,278
BEULAH	ANNA MARTHA YOUNG, RT 3, VALE 28168	17	10	2			x		x		18,730	0	18,730	0	8,500	0	0	524	5,426	14,450
BIBLE GOSPEL	MARILYN TOWNSEND, RT 4, BOX 473, HICKORY 28601	22	2	0			x		x		16,000	0	16,000	0	5,800	500	4,611	300	2,864	14,075
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	VERSIE CARSWELL, RT 4, BOX 543, MORGANTON 28655	15	3	0				x	x		28,813	0	28,813	4,000	12,821	11,744	0	629	6,768	31,962
CORINTH	JANETTE ALLEN, RT 1, CASAR 28020	45	10	0				x	x		40,156	1,478	41,634	0	16,141	0	0	1,296	7,835	25,272
DROWNING CREEK	C. P. ELLIOTT, RT 7, BOX 251, HICKORY 28601	0	0	0				x		x	5,180	0	5,180	0	1,400	0	0	389	2,645	4,434
FAITH OLIVE	GLADYS ALLEN, RT B, BOX 490, HICKORY 28601	8	0	0				x		x	8,689	888	9,577	0	4,865	0	0	358	3,214	8,437
HILDEBRAN VIEW		0	0	0																
HOYLE MEMORIAL	MARY PRICE, RT 3, BOX 225, LAWNDALE 28090	0	0	0				x		x	2,966	0	2,966	0	1,600	2,300	0	64	150	4,114
LAUREL HAVEN	FLAVIE HOUSTON, BOX 3, ICARD 28666	10	0	0			x			x	7,546	0	7,546	6,500	2,380	0	0	325	5,550	8,255
MIDWAY	JOSEPH BEAVERS, RT 7, BOX 5, HICKORY 28601	20	0	0						x	11,517	0	11,517	0	5,850	0	0	170	710	6,730
MT. GILEAD	CARRIE BUFF, RT 1, CONNELLY SPRINGS 28612	6	0	0				x		x	15,743	275	16,018	0	2,763	0	3,197	239	375	6,574
MT. HEBRON	DOROTHY LOWMAN, RT 3, BOX 692, CONN. SP. 28021	83	11	1				x	x		94,468	2,659	97,127	0	17,808	0	28,286	3,551	31,328	80,973
MT. VERNON	NANCY HENDRICK, WESTGATE DR., CHERRYVILLE	52	15	5				x	x		53,961	0	53,961	0	12,958	0	0	2,055	13,495	28,508
MT. ZION	NETTIE LOGAN, RT 1, CASAR 28020	4	0	0				x		x	8,864	567	9,431	0	2,352	0	0	152	2,490	4,994
MULL'S CHAPEL	KATHERINE YOUNG, RT 1, BOX 270, CONN. SP.	18	0	0				x		x	14,948	2,723	17,671	0	10,895	0	0	823	5,952	17,670
OAK RIDGE	BETTY SHERRILL, HARRIS AVE., VALDESE 28690	60	10	2			x			x	55,891	831	56,722	0	16,089	0	7,163	3,289	17,237	43,778
OLIVE GROVE	KATHY LEMMONS, RT 3, BOX 284-A, LAWNDALE 14	14	0	0				x		x	33,458	34	33,492	0	12,250	0	14,269	537	6,971	34,027
PHILADELPHIA	HELEN LOWMAN, RT 1, BOX 288, CONN. SP. 28612	45	2	2				x		x	37,327	1,606	38,933	0	8,565	3,529	0	782	4,698	17,574
PISGAH	DON ELLIOTT, RT 1, LAWNDALE 28090	20	10	6				x	x		35,000	0	35,000	0	14,550	0	0	1,150	10,000	25,700
PLEASANT GROVE	HUBERT LINDSAY, RT 4, BOX 478, MORGANTON	12	0	0				x		x	16,084	0	16,084	0	4,016	0	0	558	2,277	6,851
ST. JOHN'S	SYLVIA WILLIS, RT 1, BOX 560, HICKORY 28601	21	0	0				x		x	38,024	0	38,024	8,000	11,800	12,648	4,331	998	5,047	34,824
ST. PAUL	LUCILLE GREEN, RT 3, LAWNDALE 28090	30	0	0				x		x	39,545	0	39,545	0	15,600	3,855	5,095	3,052	8,930	36,532
SHOUP'S GROVE	MAGGIE HUFFMAN, BOX 321, HILDEBRAN 28637	50	0	0				x		x	48,219	0	48,219	0	11,841	0	0	1,969	21,203	35,013
SMART'S GROVE	MABEL LOWMAN, RT 3, BOX 890, CONN. SP. 28612	35	0	0				x		x	44,237	0	44,237	0	12,525	0	0	165	7,194	19,884
SOUTH FORK	MARIE ECKARD, RT 4, BOX 792B, HICKORY 28601	58	0	0				x	x		45,306	0	45,306	0	12,956	0	11,157	639	13,901	38,653
TABERNACLE	MRS. JOHN GLOVER, RT 1, CASAR 28020	7	0	0				x		x	6,175	0	6,175	0	0	0	0	280	4,487	4,767
WALKER'S CHAPEL	ALEXANDER HUFFMAN, RT 1, BOX 290H, CONN. SP.	11	0	0				x		x	17,372	7	17,379	0	4,860	0	5,745	326	1,633	12,564
WILKIE'S GROVE	PATRICIA STEPHENS, RT 4, HICKORY 28601	45	10.5	5				x	x		61,364	0	61,364	0	19,346	0	7,851	3,500	17,575	48,272
ZION HILL	LINDA B. COOK, RT 2, BOX 221, LAWNDALE 28090	50	10	5				x	x		51,061	0	51,061	0	19,508	0	0	2,021	26,897	48,426
ZOAR	JIM MAUNEY, BOX 1664, SHELBY 28150	0	2.5	1.2				x	x		9,142	0	9,142	0	4,700	0	0	419	3,969	8,188
TOTALS		898					4	26	33	18	1,008,839	11,348	1,020,187	18,500	302,486	34,576	99,453	33,586	291,857	761,958

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1980

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN (Month & Day)

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Director of Associational Missions: REV. JOE EDWARDS

Address: 764 LOWERY STREET, SHELBY — City — State: NC — Zip: 28150

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)		134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	146	146	147	148
			CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS				OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
			Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated State missions	Designated: SB Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SB Foreign Missions (incl Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: SB Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: SB Children's homes (state pro grants)	Designated: SB Hospitals	Designated: SB Homes for the aged	Designated: SB other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
ABEE'S CHAPEL	IVEY E. LOWMAN, RT 1, BOX 60-Z, VALDESE	28690	0	4,800	4,800	0	175	50	1,383	3,900	0	100	150	100	0	5,858	10,658
BEREA	DORIS TOWNSEND, RT 3, BOX 508, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	8,077	1,643	127	232	1,540	0	0	0	0	561	4,103	12,180
BEULAH	PEGGIE HOUSER, RT 1, BOX 1268, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	876	384	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	384	1,260
BIBLE GOSPEL	GAYE YODER, BOX 813, HILDEBRAN	28637	0	0	0	109	0	0	27	41	0	0	0	0	0	68	177
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	SARAH CARSWELL, RT 11, BOX 469, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	403	180	0	203	602	0	0	0	0	969	1,954	2,357
CORINTH	LEONARD NEWTON, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	4,133	678	258	326	1,351	0	0	0	0	1,769	4,382	8,515
DROWNING CREEK	DOROTHY MUNDAY, RT 3, BOX 525B, CONN. SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FAITH OLIVE	GLADYS ALLEN, RT 8, BOX 490, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	20	22	0	0	0	0	86	0	25	642	775	795
HILDEBRAN VIEW	MRS. HENRY L. LOWMAN, RT 1, BOX 273A, CONN. SP.	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HOYLE MEMORIAL	VASCO PRICE, RT 3, BOX 275, LAWNDALE	28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAUREL HAVEN	ELLEN PATTON, BOX 192, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	225	95	0	52	317	0	35	25	20	0	544	769
MIDWAY	JANETTE WEAVER, RT 2, BOX 586K, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	149	0	0	0	0	0	221	221
MT. GILEAD	IVA RHONEY, RT 1, BOX 221 R, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
MT. HEBRON	MAVIN CARSWELL, RT 3, BOX 784, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	8,432	1,235	371	1,677	3,573	0	0	0	0	795	7,651	16,083
MT. VERNON	LUCILLE UPTON, RT 2, BOX 308, VALE	28168	0	0	0	6,106	2,012	714	350	2,628	160	0	0	0	150	6,014	12,120
MT. ZION	SAM PROCTOR, RT 1, LAWNDALE	28090	0	0	0	260	0	200	15	90	0	0	0	0	0	305	565
MULL'S CHAPEL	NANCY RHONEY, RT 3, BOX 244A, VALE	28168	0	0	0	46	75	203	87	289	0	0	0	0	200	854	900
OAK RIDGE	SHARON WYCOFF, RT 2, BOX 329, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	5,195	900	750	3,859	1,982	0	0	0	0	0	7,491	12,686
OLIVE GROVE	MRS. HOWARD WALKER, RT 1, BOX 212, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	94	0	0	353	497	497
PHILADELPHIA	SADIE BRITTAIN, RT 1, BOX 128B, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	582	664	0	0	0	0	122	0	0	0	786	1,368
PISGAH	MRS. JOBY PRUETT, BOX 13, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	1,857	755	0	550	688	0	0	0	0	1,943	3,936	5,793
PLEASANT GROVE	CARL W. POWELL, RT 4, BOX 466, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	36	0	125	1,938	399	0	0	0	0	0	2,462	2,498
ST. JOHN'S	BRENDA HINEGARDNER, RT 4, BOX 473A, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	248	0	0	340	0	0	588	588
ST. PAUL	WORTH WILLIS, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	76	0	293	342	560	0	0	0	0	1,579	2,774	2,850
SHOUP'S GROVE	NANCY COX, RT 4, BOX 916, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	408	792	1,200	171	1,500	0	148	0	0	3,619	7,430	7,838
SMART'S GROVE	RITA MACE, RT 1, BOX 1108, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	285	0	0	8	0	8,829	9,114	9,114
SOUTH FORK	EVELYN WEBB, RT 4, BOX 540, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	3,594	1,266	0	0	356	0	0	0	0	763	2,385	5,979
TABERNACLE	A. W. MARTIN, RT 2, BOX 325, VALE	28168	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WALKER'S CHAPEL	FAYE C. PEELER, RT 1, BOX 294, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	50	726	876	876
WILKIE'S GROVE	PEARL CHAPMAN, RT 4, BOX 332, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	5,930	2,836	0	442	1,495	0	0	0	0	387	5,160	11,090
ZION HILL	MRS. ALVIN COOK, RT 4, BOX 286, VALE	28168	0	0	0	4,578	2,632	25	982	1,433	0	140	74	121	517	5,924	10,502
ZOAR	SHARON CHAPMAN, RT 1, BOX 236F, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	200	50	75	0	121	0	0	0	0	100	346	546
TOTAL			0	4,800	4,800	51,213	16,444	4,391	12,708	23,547	160	775	639	316	28,982	82,882	138,895

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION — YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1980

Association: SOUTH MOUNTAIN (Month & Day)

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Moderator: REV. CHARLES McDOWELL

Address: ROUTE 4, BOX 470 — City: HICKORY — State: NC — Zip: 28601

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)		28 No. church-type missions started during the year	29 No. church-type missions running	30 No. other-type missions started during the year	31 No. other-type missions currently operating	32 No. New Sunday School Members	33 No. Church Vacations Volunteers	34 $ Amount Attributing Offering	35 $ Amount for Pastor's Education	36 W worship, D other, B both	37 No. S.S. Members / No. Church Members	38 No. Persons Using Spanish Materials	39 No. of college students baptized	40 No. Evangelistic Prospects	41 No. Ethnic Members	42 Bi-vocational Pastor	43 Purchase Site Building Fund Being Raised	44 Baptist Doctrine Study	45 16 mm Film Projector	46 New Baptist Hymnal '75	47 Written History of Church	48 Stewardship Committee	49 Annually Board presentation to the pastor	50 RA Week	51 Required Liberty Sundays	52 Using S.B.C. Literature in S.S.? Y = Yes, N = No.	53 Does church have, observe, plan, use, etc? Y = Yes, N = No. State paper in budget
ABEE'S CHAPEL	DELKIE MOURGLEA,JR., RT 1, BOX 66, CONN. SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	8	0	1,333	0	W	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y
BEREA	BRADY BURNS, RT 3, BOX 510, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	3	0	232	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	N
BEULAH	L. E. WILLIS, RT 1, BOX 253, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
BIBLE GOSPEL	LONNIE JOHNSON, RT 11, BOX 22, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	0	16	0	27	0	O	1 / 0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
CARSWELL MEMORIAL	JAMES B. SMITH, RT 4, BOX 394, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	0	0	0	203	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
CORINTH	J. L. NEWTON, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	0	40	0	326	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N
DROWNING CREEK	DAN MUNDAY, RT 3, BOX 525B, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
FAITH OLIVE	GRADY C. ALLEN, RT 8, BOX 490, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
HILDEBRAN VIEW	H. D. LOWMAN, HILDEBRAN	28637	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	1 / 0	0	0	0	0												
HOYLE MEMORIAL	VASCO PRICE, RT 3, BOX 275, LAWNDALE	28090	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
LAUREL HAVEN	JIM HOYLE, RT 4, BOX 650, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	0	24	0	25	0	O	12 / 0	0	0	12	0	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N
MIDWAY	JOSEPH BEAVERS, RT 7, BOX 5, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	0	5	0	72	0	O	6 / 0	0	0	3	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
MT. GILEAD	THOMAS MULL, RT 1, CONNELLY SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	10 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N
MT. HEBRON	JIMMY LAUGHRIDGE, RT 1, BOX 59, VALDESE	28690	0	0	0	0	40	0	1,677	0	O	35 / 0	0	0	25	1	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N
MT. VERNON	VESTER SHULL, RT 4, VALE	28168	0	0	0	0	13	1	350	0	O	18 / 0	0	0	10	0	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
MT. ZION	BULAND SHORT, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y
MULL'S CHAPEL	ED KELLER, RT 7, BOX 551, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	0	8	0	87	0	O	5 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	N
OAK RIDGE			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	W	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y
OLIVE GROVE	MR. HAZEL WALKER, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N
PHILADELPHIA	ALVIN BRITTAIN, 1011 30TH STREET, SW, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
PISGAH	KENNETH BEAM, RT 1, CASAR	28020	0	0	0	0	7	2	550	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y
PLEASANT GROVE	HUBERT H. LINDSAY, RT 4, BOX 478, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	O	5 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N
ST. JOHN'S	STANLEY WILLIS, RT 4, BOX 560, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
ST. PAUL	EARL MORRISON, RT 3, LAWNDALE	28090	0	0	0	0	10	0	342	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N
SHOUP'S GROVE	GRADY PROPST, ICARD	28666	0	0	0	0	9	0	171	0	O	40 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
SMART'S GROVE	LARRY HARMON, RT 4, BOX 593, MORGANTON	28655	0	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	O	8 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N
SOUTH FORK	JOHN MUNDAY, 407 26TH STREET, SW, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N
TABERNACLE			0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
WALKER'S CHAPEL	ALEXANDER HUFFMAN, RT 1, BOX 290 H, CONN. SPRINGS	28612	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	O	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N
WILKIE'S GROVE	JESSE FORTENBERRY, RT 4, HICKORY	28601	0	0	0	0	11	0	442	0	O	10 / 0	0	0	35	0	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
ZION HILL	WARREN YANCEY, RT 3, LAWNDALE	28090	0	0	0	0	15	0	982	500	O	25 / 0	0	0	100	0	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
ZOAR	LESTER LAIL, RT 3, LAWNDALE	28090	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	O	3 / 0	0	0	14	0	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
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